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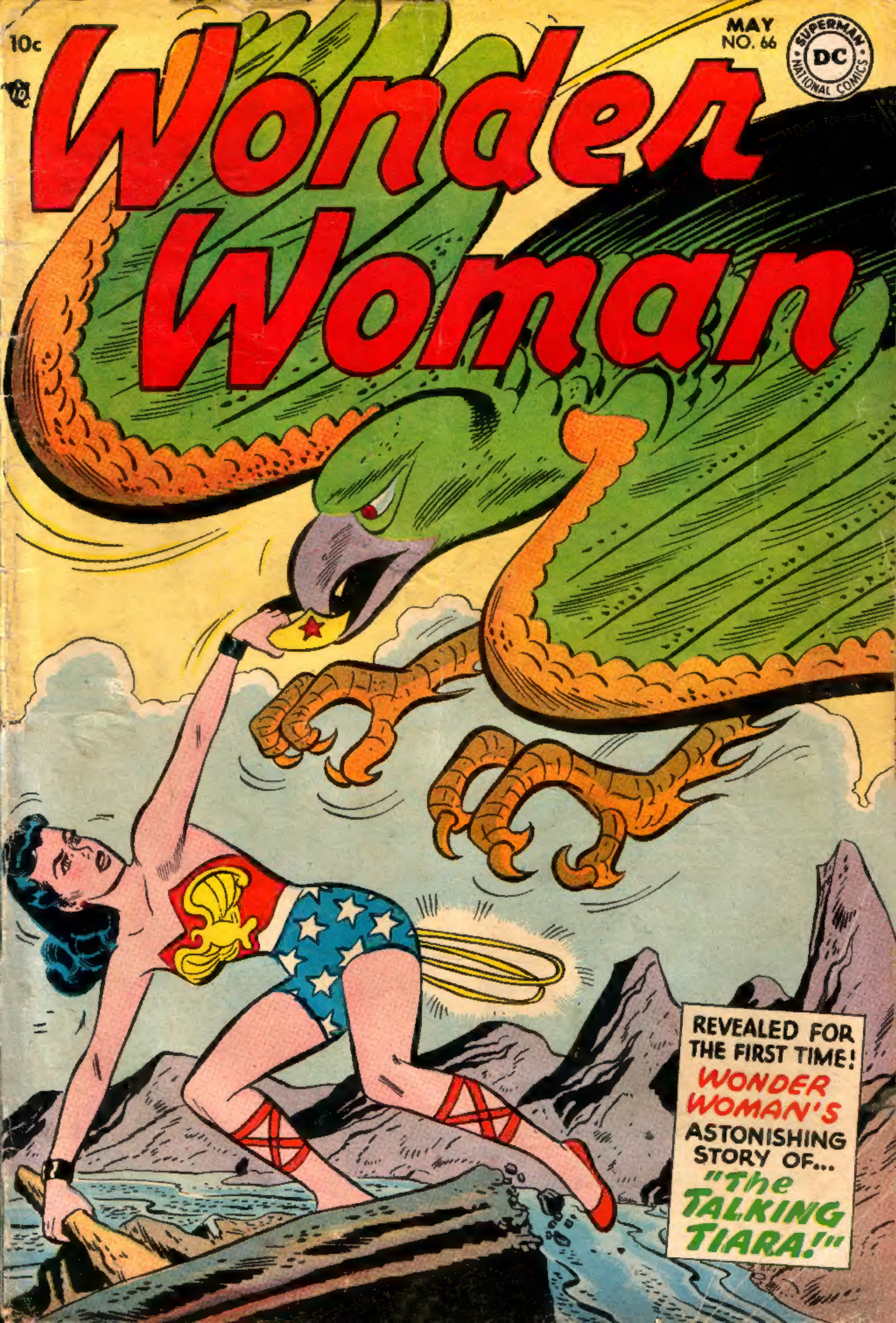
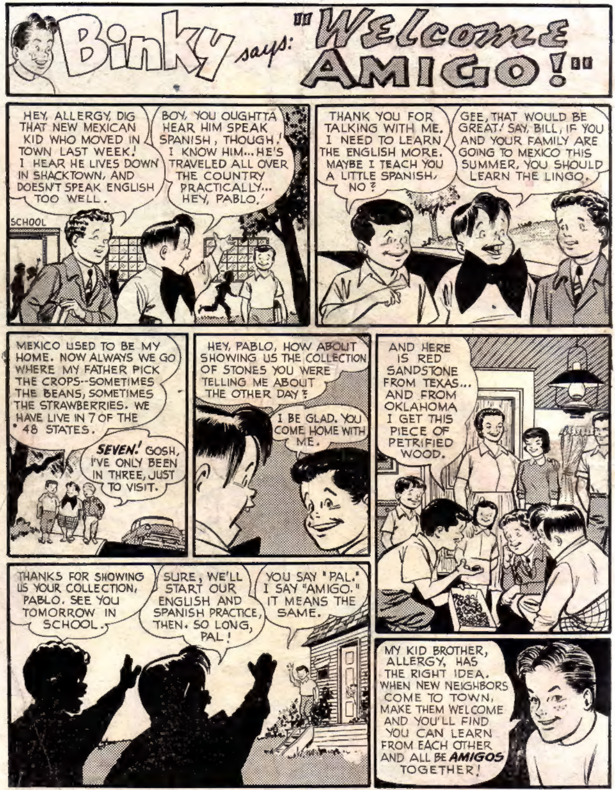


REVEALED FOR THE FIRST TIME!
WONDER WOMAN'S ASTONISHING STORY OF...
"The TALKING TIARA!"

Binky says: "WELCOME AMIGO!"


HEY, ALLERGY, DIG THAT NEW MEXICAN KID WHO MOVED IN TOWN LAST WEEK! I HEAR HE LIVES DOWN IN SHACKTOWN, AND DOESN'T SPEAK ENGLISH TOO WELL.
BOY, YOU OUGHTTA HEAR HIM SPEAK SPANISH, THOUGH! I KNOW HIM... HE'S TRAVELED ALL OVER THE COUNTRY PRACTICALLY... HEY, PABLO!
SCHOOL
THANK YOU FOR TALKING WITH ME. I NEED TO LEARN THE ENGLISH MORE. MAYBE I TEACH YOU A LITTLE SPANISH, NO?
GEE, THAT WOULD BE GREAT! SAY, BILL, IF YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE GOING TO MEXICO THIS SUMMER, YOU SHOULD LEARN THE LINGO.
MEXICO USED TO BE MY HOME. NOW ALWAYS WE GO WHERE MY FATHER PICK THE CROPS--SOMETIMES THE BEANS, SOMETIMES THE STRAWBERRIES. WE HAVE LIVE IN 7 OF THE 48 STATES.
SEVEN! GOSH, I'VE ONLY BEEN IN THREE, JUST TO VISIT.
HEY, PABLO, HOW ABOUT SHOWING US THE COLLECTION OF STONES YOU WERE TELLING ME ABOUT THE OTHER DAY?
I BE GLAD. YOU COME HOME WITH ME.
AND HERE IS RED SANDSTONE FROM TEXAS... AND FROM OKLAHOMA I GET THIS PIECE OF PETRIFIED WOOD.
THANKS FOR SHOWING US YOUR COLLECTION, PABLO. SEE YOU TOMORROW IN SCHOOL.
SURE, WE'LL START OUR ENGLISH AND SPANISH PRACTICE, THEN. SO LONG, PAL!
YOU SAY "PAL." I SAY "AMIGO." IT MEANS THE SAME.
MY KID BROTHER, ALLERGY, HAS THE RIGHT IDEA. WHEN NEW NEIGHBORS COME TO TOWN, MAKE THEM WELCOME AND YOU'LL FIND YOU CAN LEARN FROM EACH OTHER AND ALL BE AMIGOS TOGETHER!

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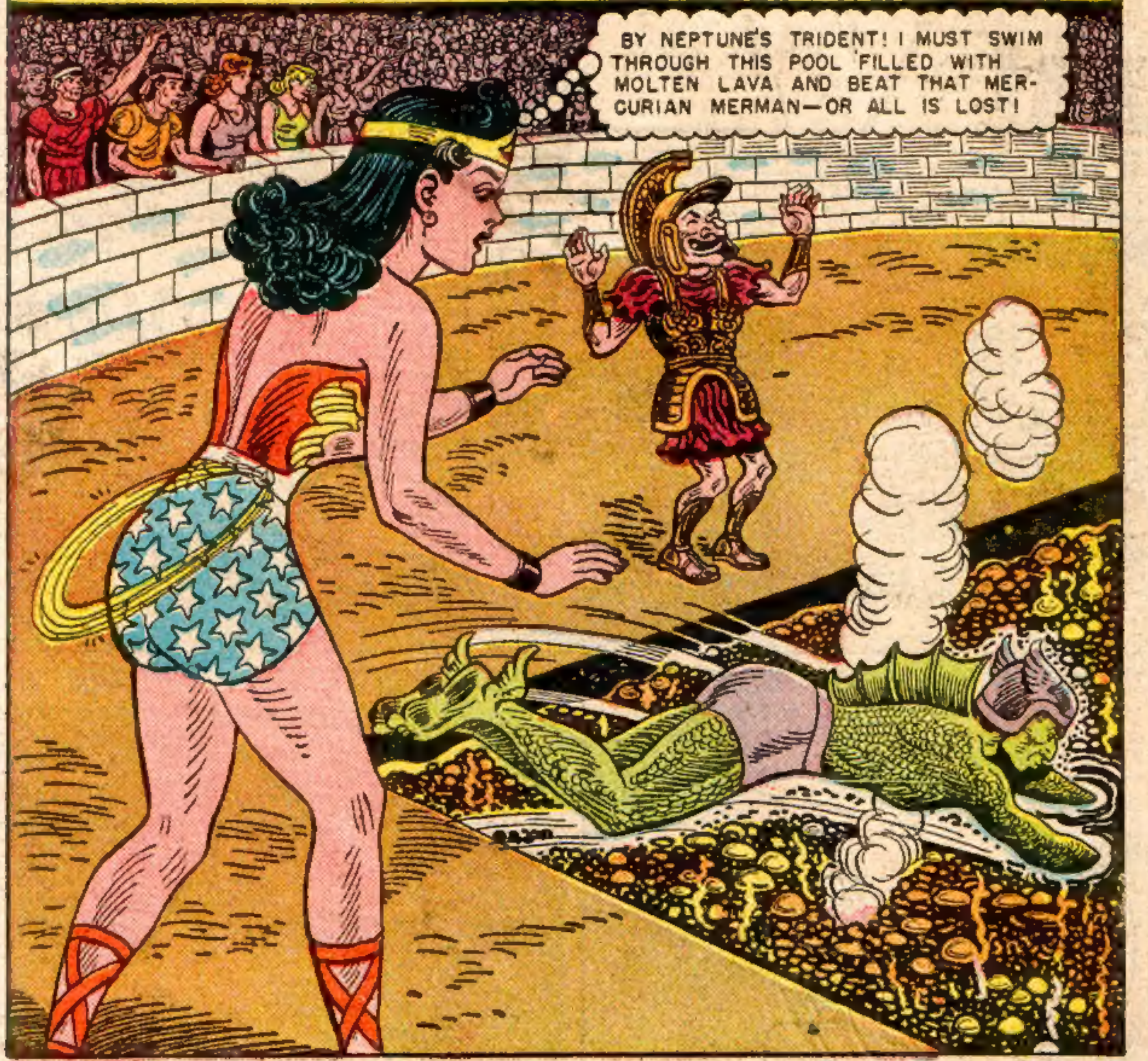
By CHARLES MOULTON

CAN **WONDER WOMAN**—BEAUTIFUL AS APHRODITE, WISE AS ATHENA, SWIFTER THAN MERCURY, AND STRONGER THAN HERCULES—SWIM THROUGH MOLTEN LAVA AND SURVIVE? CAN SHE POLE VAULT MORE THAN 100 FEET—WITHOUT BEING ABLE TO LIFT HER BODY 6 INCHES OFF THE GROUND? CAN SHE HURL A DISCUS FARTHER THAN HER OPPONENT—EVEN THOUGH IT ALWAYS RETURNS TO HER? THESE ARE THE STAGGERING PROBLEMS FACING THE BATTLING AMAZON IN THE CONTEST TO DECIDE THE FATE OF THE EARTH IN-----

"The OLYMPICS of TERROR!"


BY NEPTUNE'S TRIDENT! I MUST SWIM THROUGH THIS POOL FILLED WITH MOLTEN LAVA AND BEAT THAT MERCURIAN MERMAN—OR ALL IS LOST!

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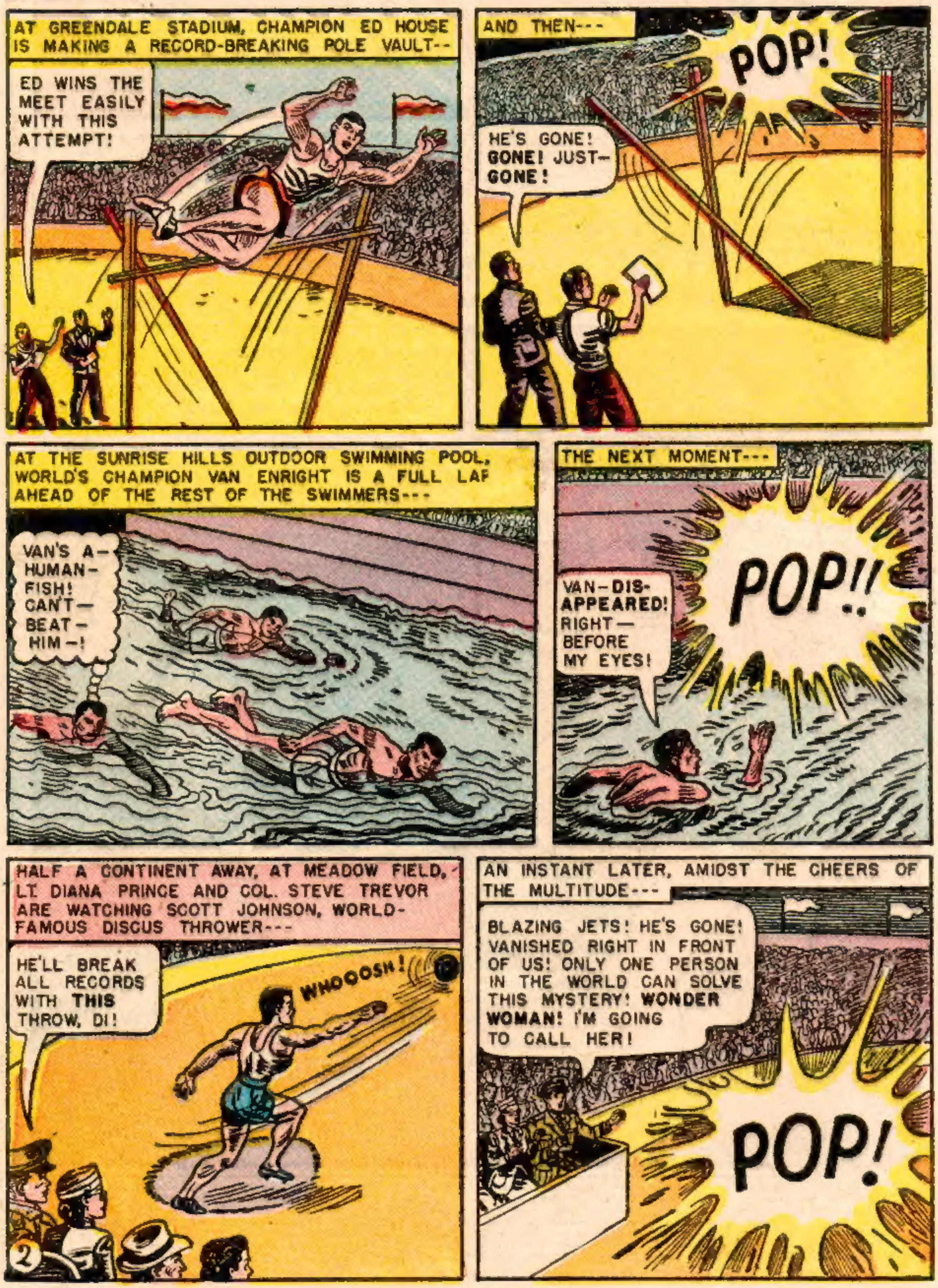
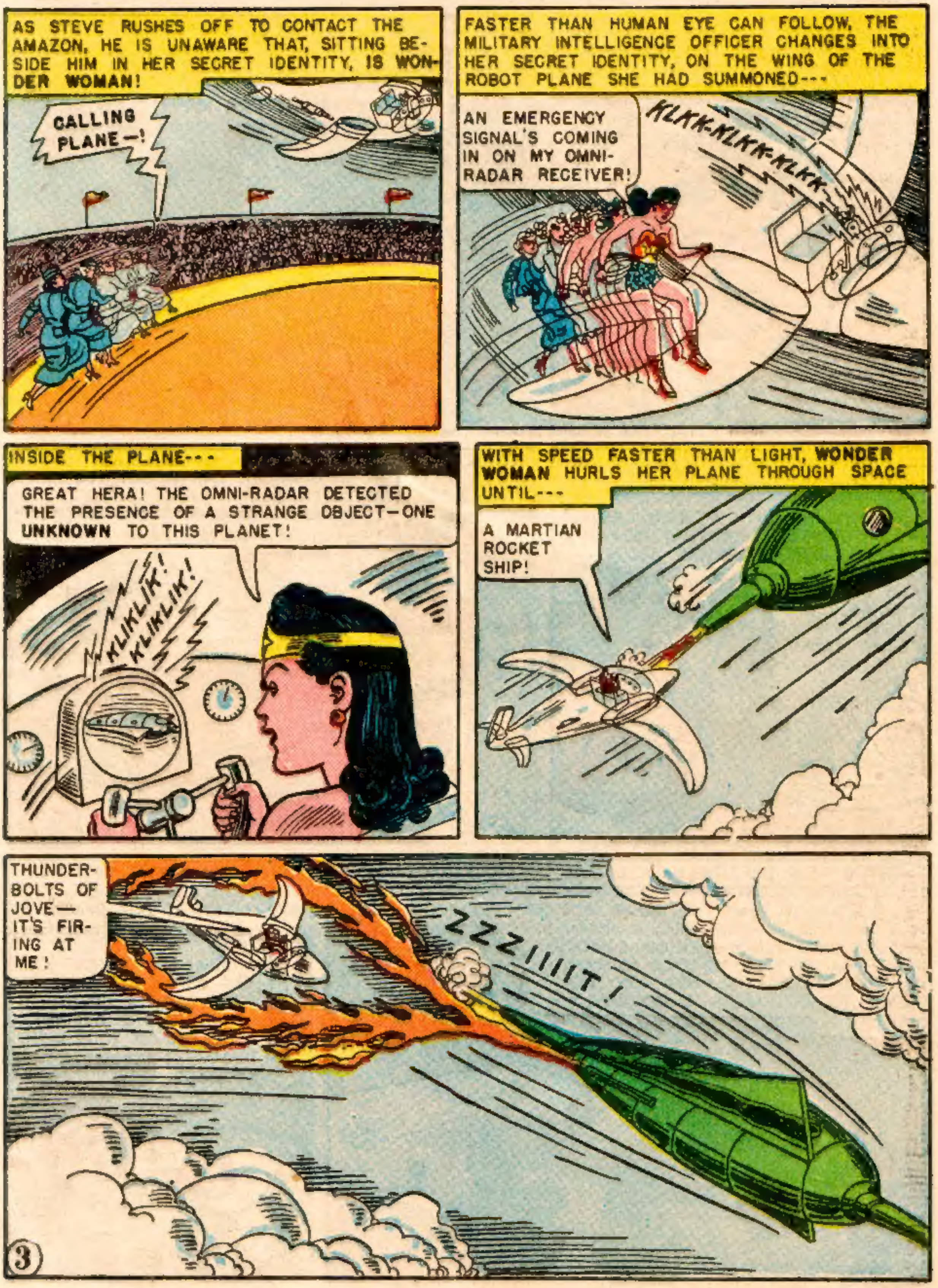
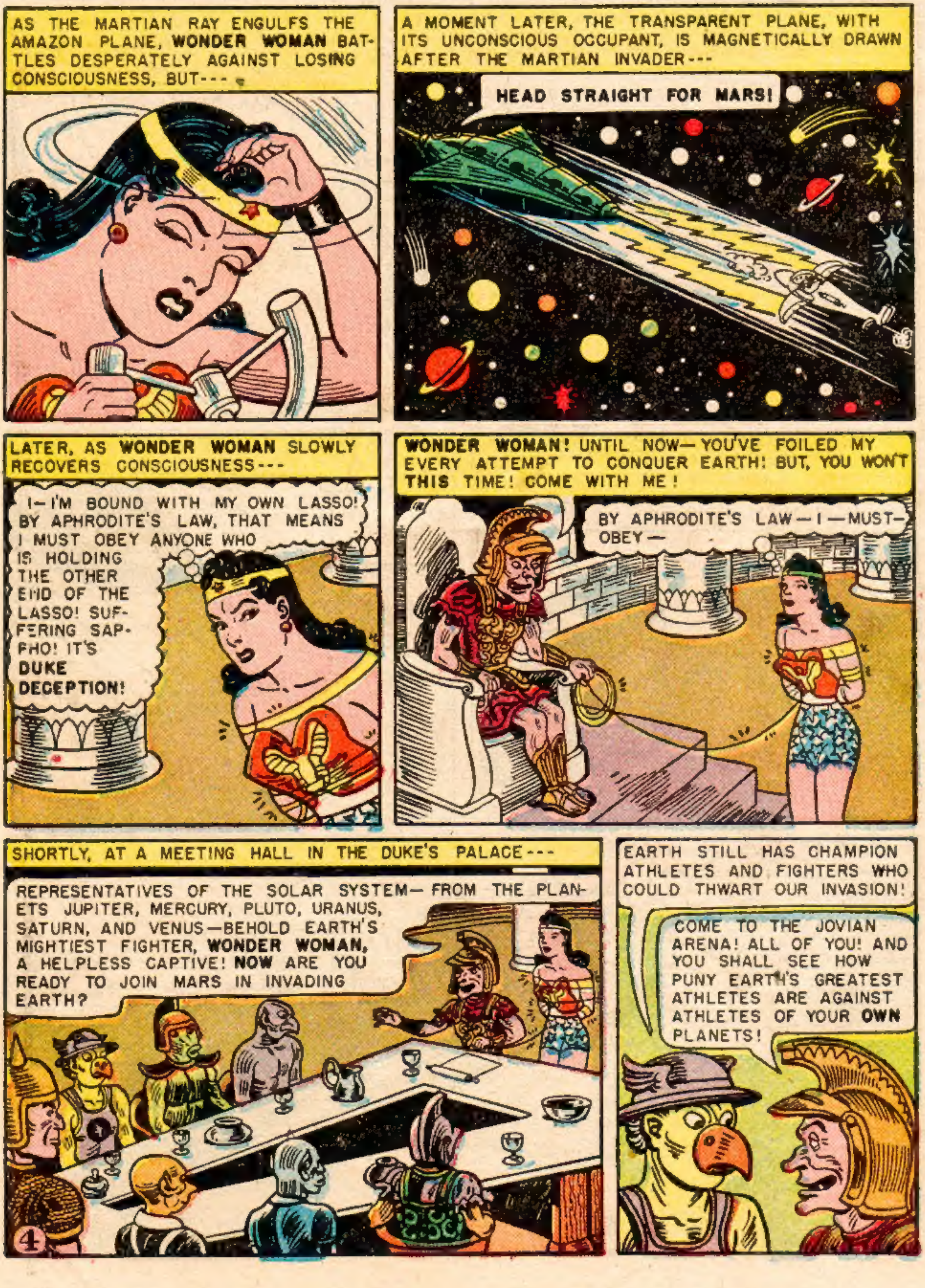
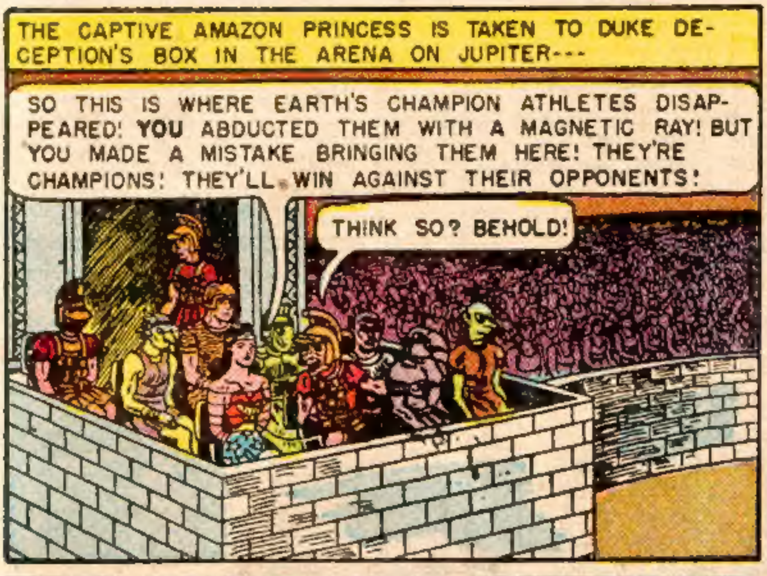
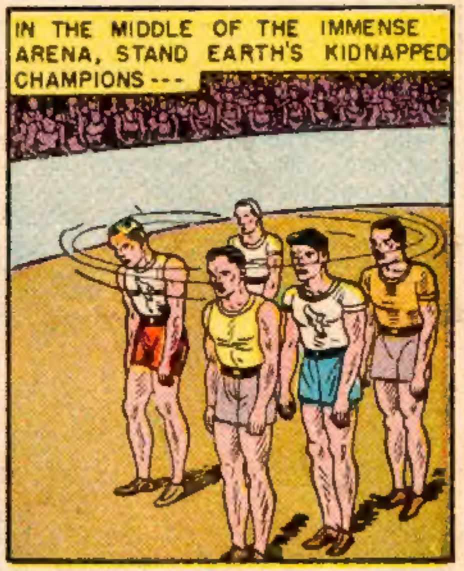
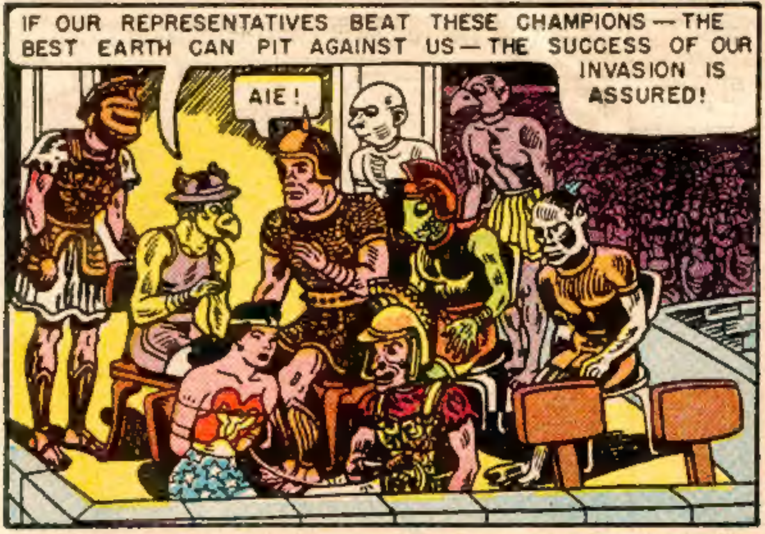

AT GREENDALE STADIUM, CHAMPION ED HOUSE IS MAKING A RECORD-BREAKING POLE VAULT--
ED WINS THE MEET EASILY WITH THIS ATTEMPT!
AND THEN---
POP!
HE'S GONE! GONE! JUST-- GONE!
AT THE SUNRISE HILLS OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL, WORLD'S CHAMPION VAN ENRIGHT IS A FULL LAP AHEAD OF THE REST OF THE SWIMMERS---
VAN'S A--HUMAN--FISH! CAN'T--BEAT--HIM--!
THE NEXT MOMENT---
POP!!
VAN--DIS-APPEARED! RIGHT--BEFORE MY EYES!
HALF A CONTINENT AWAY, AT MEADOW FIELD, LT. DIANA PRINCE AND COL. STEVE TREVOR ARE WATCHING SCOTT JOHNSON, WORLD-FAMOUS DISCUS THROWER---
HE'LL BREAK ALL RECORDS WITH THIS THROW, DI!
WHOOOSH!
AN INSTANT LATER, AMIDST THE CHEERS OF THE MULTITUDE---
BLAZING JETS! HE'S GONE! VANISHED RIGHT IN FRONT OF US! ONLY ONE PERSON IN THE WORLD CAN SOLVE THIS MYSTERY! WONDER WOMAN! I'M GOING TO CALL HER!
POP!

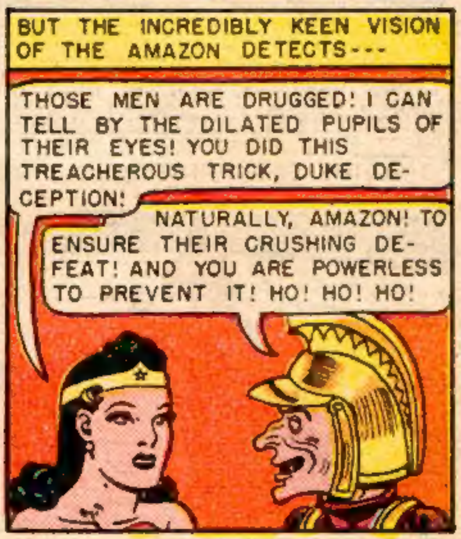

AS STEVE RUSHES OFF TO CONTACT THE AMAZON, HE IS UNAWARE THAT, SITTING BESIDE HIM IN HER SECRET IDENTITY, IS WONDER WOMAN!
CALLING PLANE—!
FASTER THAN HUMAN EYE CAN FOLLOW, THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE OFFICER CHANGES INTO HER SECRET IDENTITY, ON THE WING OF THE ROBOT PLANE SHE HAD SUMMONED---
AN EMERGENCY SIGNAL'S COMING IN ON MY OMNI-RADAR RECEIVER!
KLKK-KLKK-KLKK
INSIDE THE PLANE---
GREAT HERA! THE OMNI-RADAR DETECTED THE PRESENCE OF A STRANGE OBJECT—ONE UNKNOWN TO THIS PLANET!
KLIKLIK! KLIKLIK!
WITH SPEED FASTER THAN LIGHT, WONDER WOMAN HURLS HER PLANE THROUGH SPACE UNTIL---
A MARTIAN ROCKET SHIP!
THUNDERBOLTS OF JOVE— IT'S FIRING AT ME!
ZZZIIIIT!

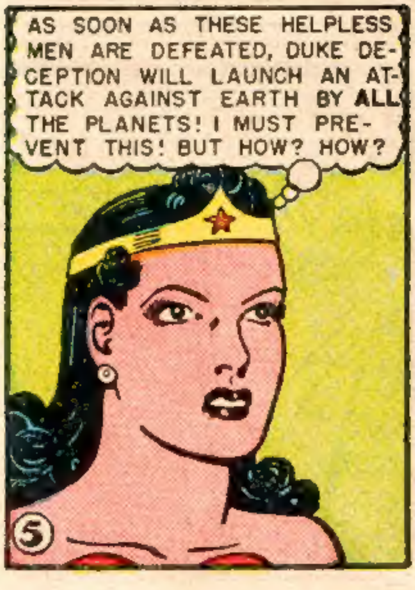

AS THE MARTIAN RAY ENGULFS THE AMAZON PLANE, WONDER WOMAN BATTLES DESPERATELY AGAINST LOSING CONSCIOUSNESS, BUT---
A MOMENT LATER, THE TRANSPARENT PLANE, WITH ITS UNCONSCIOUS OCCUPANT, IS MAGNETICALLY DRAWN AFTER THE MARTIAN INVADER---
HEAD STRAIGHT FOR MARS!
LATER, AS WONDER WOMAN SLOWLY RECOVERS CONSCIOUSNESS---
I-I'M BOUND WITH MY OWN LASSO! BY APHRODITE'S LAW, THAT MEANS I MUST OBEY ANYONE WHO IS HOLDING THE OTHER END OF THE LASSO! SUFFERING SAPPHO! IT'S DUKE DECEPTION!
WONDER WOMAN! UNTIL NOW—YOU'VE FOILED MY EVERY ATTEMPT TO CONQUER EARTH! BUT, YOU WON'T THIS TIME! COME WITH ME!
BY APHRODITE'S LAW—I—MUST—OBEY—
SHORTLY, AT A MEETING HALL IN THE DUKE'S PALACE---
REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SOLAR SYSTEM—FROM THE PLANETS JUPITER, MERCURY, PLUTO, URANUS, SATURN, AND VENUS—BEHOLD EARTH'S MIGHTIEST FIGHTER, WONDER WOMAN, A HELPLESS CAPTIVE! NOW ARE YOU READY TO JOIN MARS IN INVADING EARTH?
EARTH STILL HAS CHAMPION ATHLETES AND FIGHTERS WHO COULD THWART OUR INVASION!
COME TO THE JOVIAN ARENA! ALL OF YOU! AND YOU SHALL SEE HOW PUNY EARTH'S GREATEST ATHLETES ARE AGAINST ATHLETES OF YOUR OWN PLANETS!


THE CAPTIVE AMAZON PRINCESS IS TAKEN TO DUKE DECEPTION'S BOX IN THE ARENA ON JUPITER---
SO THIS IS WHERE EARTH'S CHAMPION ATHLETES DISAPPEARED! **YOU** ABDUCTED THEM WITH A MAGNETIC RAY! BUT YOU MADE A MISTAKE BRINGING THEM HERE! THEY'RE CHAMPIONS! THEY'LL WIN AGAINST THEIR OPPONENTS!
THINK SO? BEHOLD!


IN THE MIDDLE OF THE IMMENSE ARENA, STAND EARTH'S KIDNAPPED CHAMPIONS ---


IF OUR REPRESENTATIVES BEAT THESE CHAMPIONS — THE BEST EARTH CAN PIT AGAINST US — THE SUCCESS OF OUR INVASION IS ASSURED!
AIE!


BUT THE INCREDIBLY KEEN VISION OF THE AMAZON DETECTS---
THOSE MEN ARE DRUGGED! I CAN TELL BY THE DILATED PUPILS OF THEIR EYES! YOU DID THIS TREACHEROUS TRICK, DUKE DECEPTION!
NATURALLY, AMAZON! TO ENSURE THEIR CRUSHING DEFEAT! AND YOU ARE POWERLESS TO PREVENT IT! HO! HO! HO!


AS SOON AS THESE HELPLESS MEN ARE DEFEATED, DUKE DECEPTION WILL LAUNCH AN ATTACK AGAINST EARTH BY **ALL** THE PLANETS! I MUST PREVENT THIS! BUT HOW? HOW?
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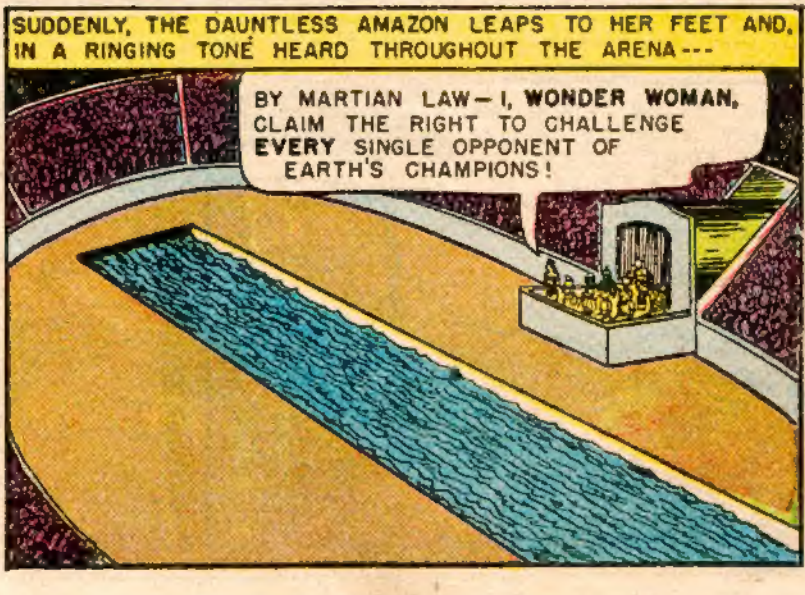
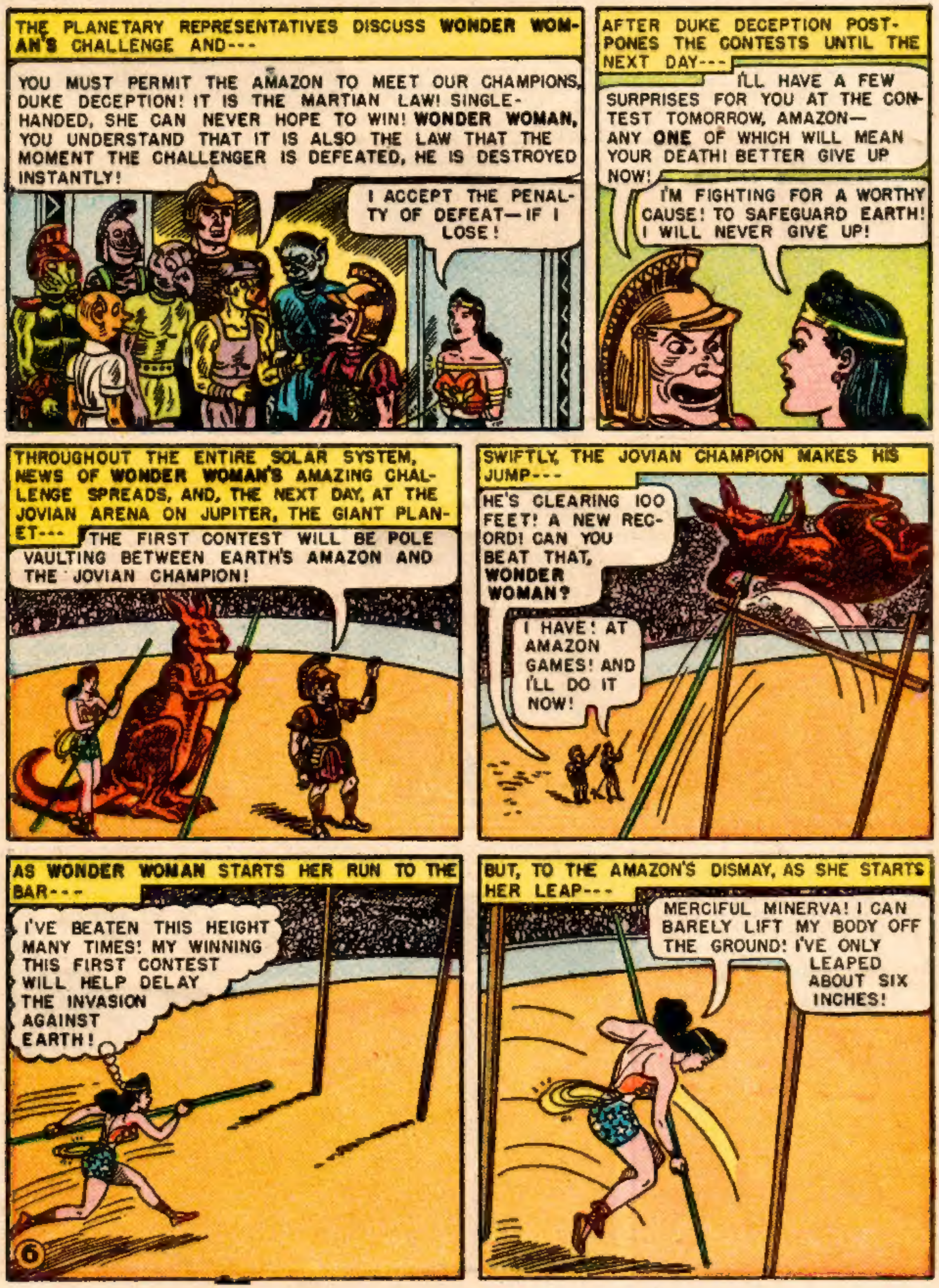

SUDDENLY, THE DAUNTLESS AMAZON LEAPS TO HER FEET AND, IN A RINGING TONE HEARD THROUGHOUT THE ARENA ---
BY MARTIAN LAW — I, **WONDER WOMAN**, CLAIM THE RIGHT TO CHALLENGE **EVERY** SINGLE OPPONENT OF EARTH'S CHAMPIONS!


THE PLANETARY REPRESENTATIVES DISCUSS WONDER WOMAN'S CHALLENGE AND---
YOU MUST PERMIT THE AMAZON TO MEET OUR CHAMPIONS, DUKE DECEPTION! IT IS THE MARTIAN LAW! SINGLE-HANDED, SHE CAN NEVER HOPE TO WIN! WONDER WOMAN, YOU UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS ALSO THE LAW THAT THE MOMENT THE CHALLENGER IS DEFEATED, HE IS DESTROYED INSTANTLY!
I ACCEPT THE PENALTY OF DEFEAT—IF I LOSE!
AFTER DUKE DECEPTION POSTPONES THE CONTESTS UNTIL THE NEXT DAY---
I'LL HAVE A FEW SURPRISES FOR YOU AT THE CONTEST TOMORROW, AMAZON— ANY ONE OF WHICH WILL MEAN YOUR DEATH! BETTER GIVE UP NOW!
I'M FIGHTING FOR A WORTHY CAUSE! TO SAFEGUARD EARTH! I WILL NEVER GIVE UP!
THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE SOLAR SYSTEM, NEWS OF WONDER WOMAN'S AMAZING CHALLENGE SPREADS, AND, THE NEXT DAY, AT THE JOVIAN ARENA ON JUPITER, THE GIANT PLANET---
THE FIRST CONTEST WILL BE POLE VAULTING BETWEEN EARTH'S AMAZON AND THE JOVIAN CHAMPION!
SWIFTLY, THE JOVIAN CHAMPION MAKES HIS JUMP---
HE'S CLEARING 100 FEET! A NEW RECORD! CAN YOU BEAT THAT, WONDER WOMAN?
I HAVE! AT AMAZON GAMES! AND I'LL DO IT NOW!
AS WONDER WOMAN STARTS HER RUN TO THE BAR---
I'VE BEATEN THIS HEIGHT MANY TIMES! MY WINNING THIS FIRST CONTEST WILL HELP DELAY THE INVASION AGAINST EARTH!
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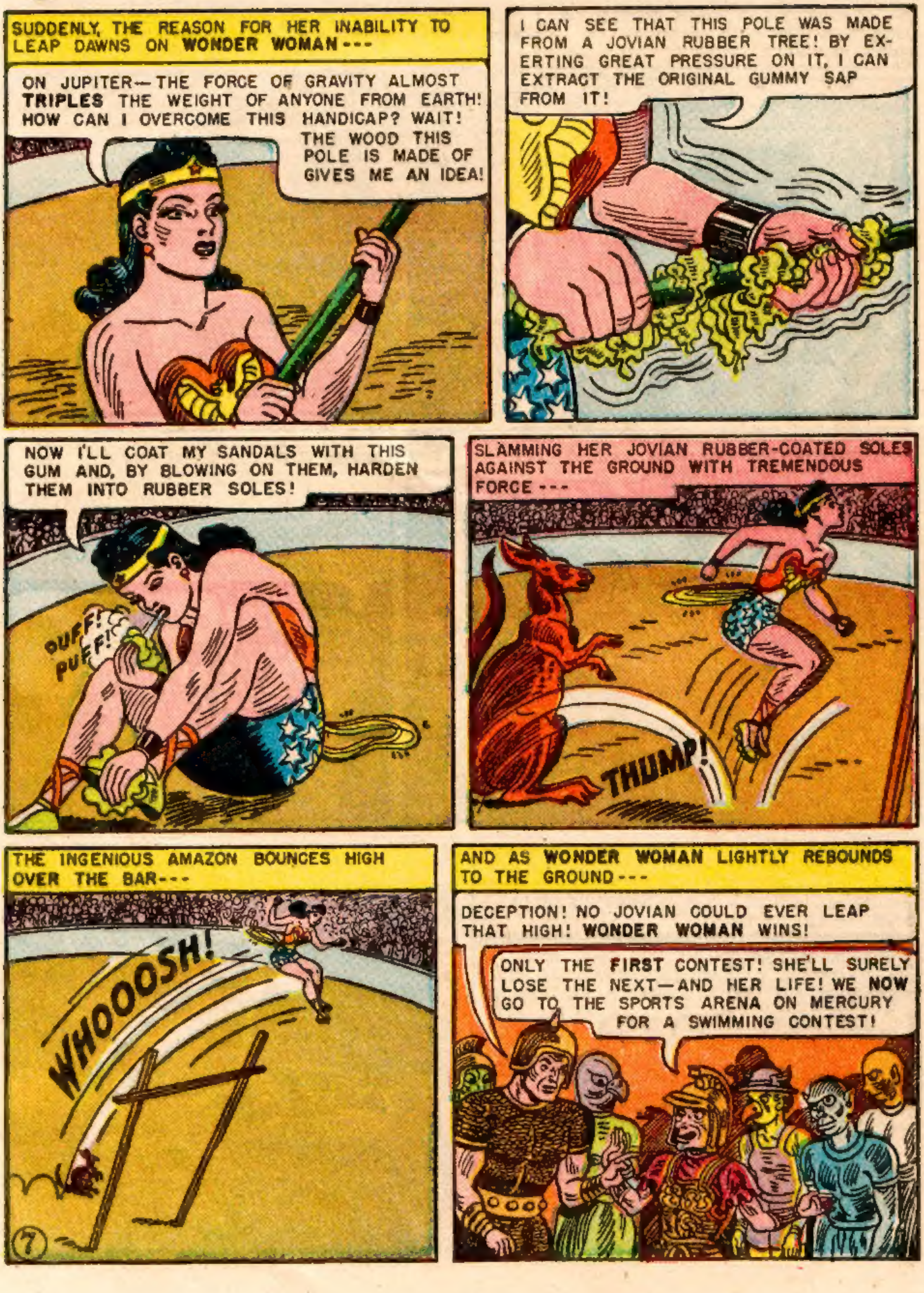
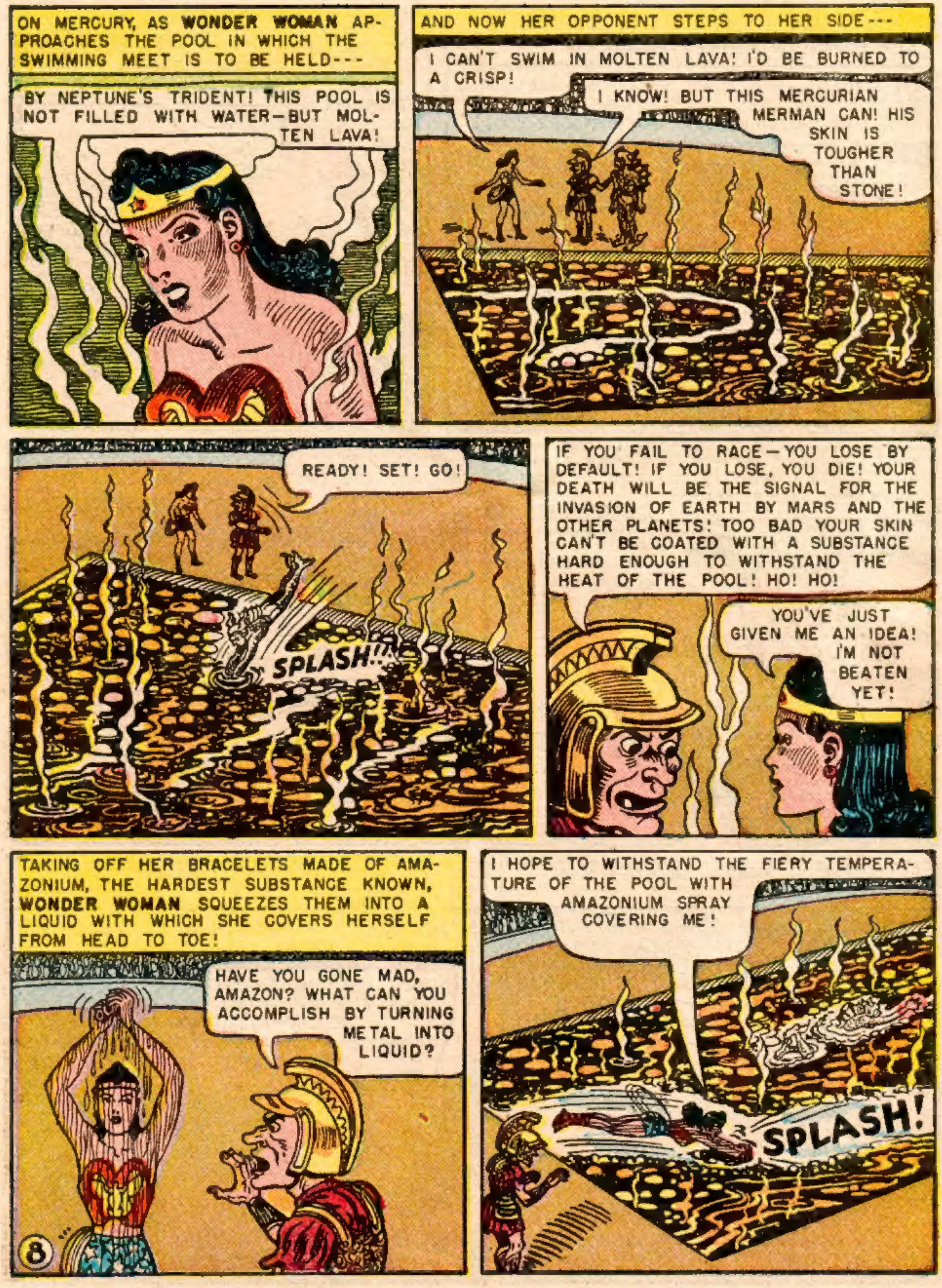
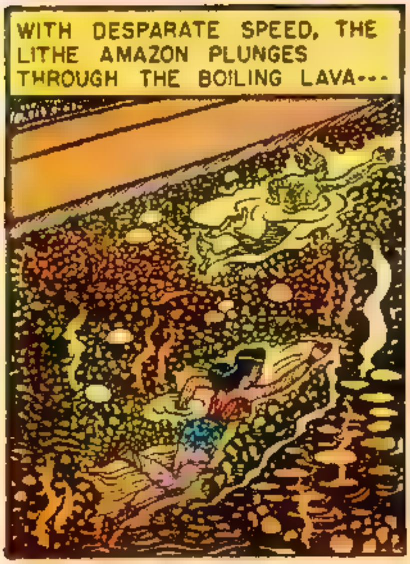
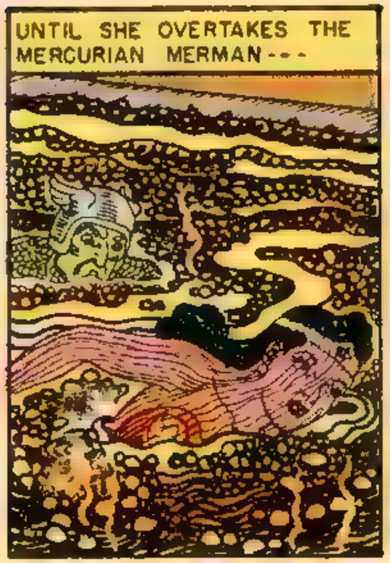
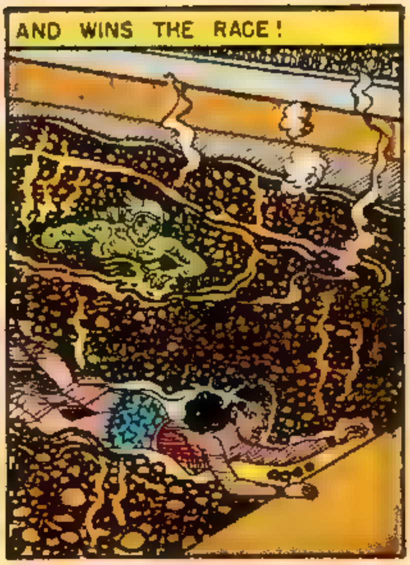
BUT, TO THE AMAZON'S DISMAY, AS SHE STARTS HER LEAP---
MERCIFUL MINERVA! I CAN BARELY LIFT MY BODY OFF THE GROUND! I'VE ONLY LEAPED ABOUT SIX INCHES!

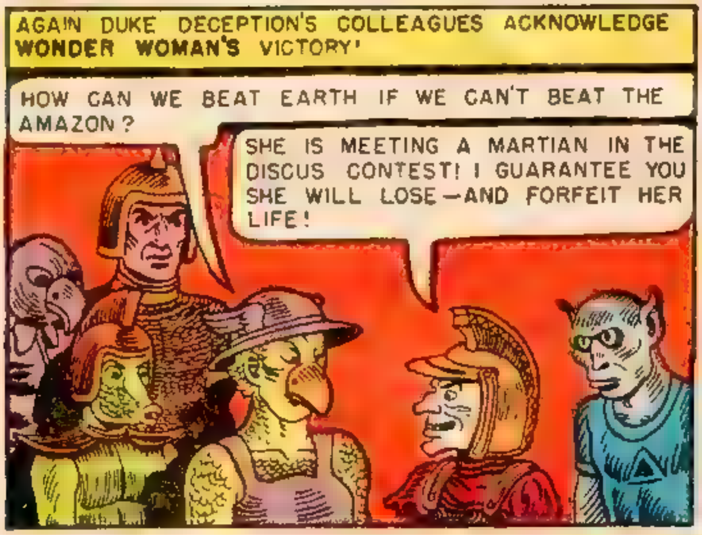

SUDDENLY, THE REASON FOR HER INABILITY TO LEAP DAWNS ON WONDER WOMAN---
ON JUPITER—THE FORCE OF GRAVITY ALMOST TRIPLES THE WEIGHT OF ANYONE FROM EARTH! HOW CAN I OVERCOME THIS HANDICAP? WAIT! THE WOOD THIS POLE IS MADE OF GIVES ME AN IDEA!
I CAN SEE THAT THIS POLE WAS MADE FROM A JOVIAN RUBBER TREE! BY EXERTING GREAT PRESSURE ON IT, I CAN EXTRACT THE ORIGINAL GUMMY SAP FROM IT!
NOW I'LL COAT MY SANDALS WITH THIS GUM AND, BY BLOWING ON THEM, HARDEN THEM INTO RUBBER SOLES!
PUFF! PUFF!
SLAMMING HER JOVIAN RUBBER-COATED SOLES AGAINST THE GROUND WITH TREMENDOUS FORCE---
THUMP!
THE INGENIOUS AMAZON BOUNCES HIGH OVER THE BAR---
WHOOOSH!
AND AS WONDER WOMAN LIGHTLY REBOUNDS TO THE GROUND---
DECEPTION! NO JOVIAN COULD EVER LEAP THAT HIGH! WONDER WOMAN WINS!
ONLY THE FIRST CONTEST! SHE'LL SURELY LOSE THE NEXT—AND HER LIFE! WE NOW GO TO THE SPORTS ARENA ON MERCURY FOR A SWIMMING CONTEST!

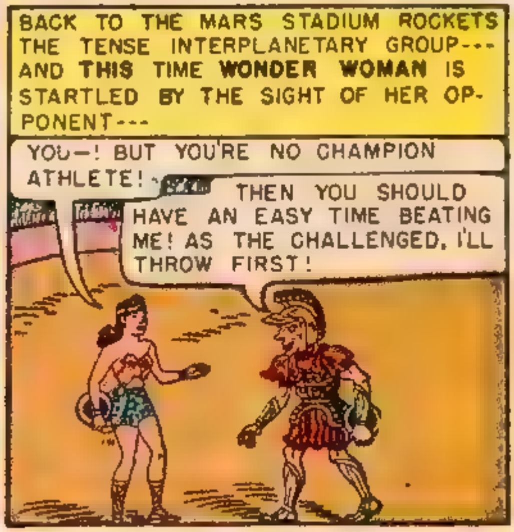

ON MERCURY, AS **WONDER WOMAN** APPROACHES THE POOL IN WHICH THE SWIMMING MEET IS TO BE HELD---
BY NEPTUNE'S TRIDENT! THIS POOL IS NOT FILLED WITH WATER—BUT MOLTEN LAVA!
AND NOW HER OPPONENT STEPS TO HER SIDE---
I CAN'T SWIM IN MOLTEN LAVA! I'D BE BURNED TO A CRISP!
I KNOW! BUT THIS MERCURIAN MERMAN CAN! HIS SKIN IS TOUGHER THAN STONE!
READY! SET! GO!
SPLASH!!
IF YOU FAIL TO RACE—YOU LOSE BY DEFAULT! IF YOU LOSE, YOU DIE! YOUR DEATH WILL BE THE SIGNAL FOR THE INVASION OF EARTH BY MARS AND THE OTHER PLANETS! TOO BAD YOUR SKIN CAN'T BE COATED WITH A SUBSTANCE HARD ENOUGH TO WITHSTAND THE HEAT OF THE POOL! HO! HO!
YOU'VE JUST GIVEN ME AN IDEA! I'M NOT BEATEN YET!
TAKING OFF HER BRACELETS MADE OF AMAZONIUM, THE HARDEST SUBSTANCE KNOWN, **WONDER WOMAN** SQUEEZES THEM INTO A LIQUID WITH WHICH SHE COVERS HERSELF FROM HEAD TO TOE!
HAVE YOU GONE MAD, AMAZON? WHAT CAN YOU ACCOMPLISH BY TURNING METAL INTO LIQUID?
I HOPE TO WITHSTAND THE FIERY TEMPERATURE OF THE POOL WITH AMAZONIUM SPRAY COVERING ME!
SPLASH!

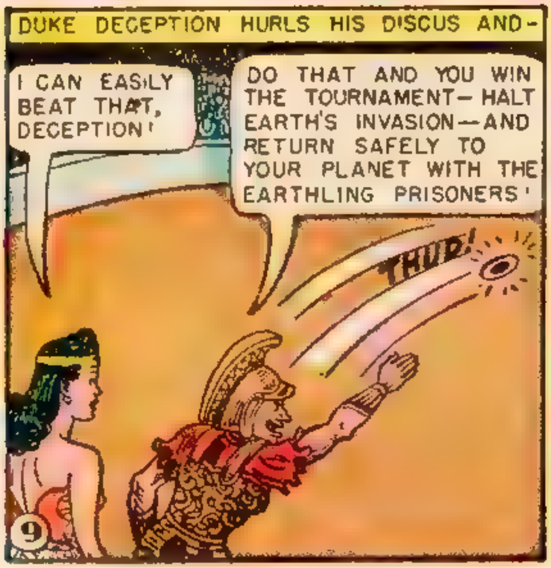

WITH DESPARATE SPEED, THE LITHE AMAZON PLUNGES THROUGH THE BOILING LAVA---

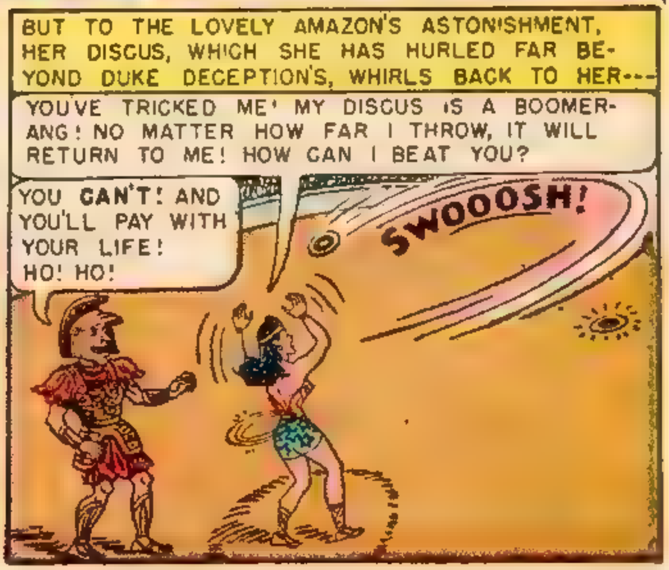

UNTIL SHE OVERTAKES THE MERCURIAN MERMAN---

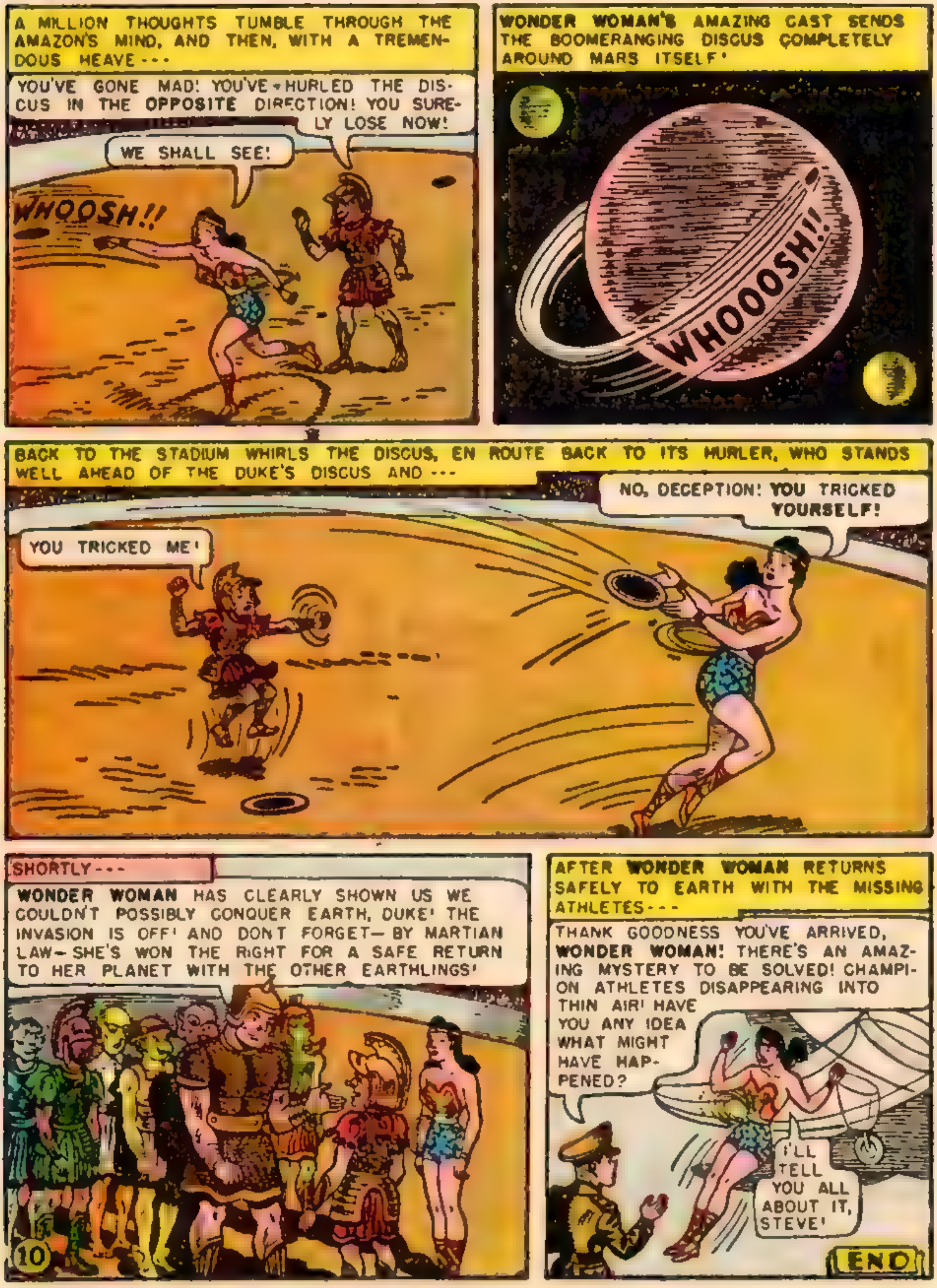

AND WINS THE RACE!


AGAIN DUKE DECEPTION'S COLLEAGUES ACKNOWLEDGE **WONDER WOMAN'S** VICTORY!
HOW CAN WE BEAT EARTH IF WE CAN'T BEAT THE AMAZON?
SHE IS MEETING A MARTIAN IN THE DISCUS CONTEST! I GUARANTEE YOU SHE WILL LOSE—AND FORFEIT HER LIFE!


BACK TO THE MARS STADIUM ROCKETS THE TENSE INTERPLANETARY GROUP--- AND **THIS** TIME **WONDER WOMAN** IS STARTLED BY THE SIGHT OF HER OPPONENT---
YOU—! BUT YOU'RE NO CHAMPION ATHLETE!
THEN YOU SHOULD HAVE AN EASY TIME BEATING ME! AS THE CHALLENGED, I'LL THROW FIRST!


DUKE DECEPTION HURLS HIS DISCUS AND-
I CAN EASILY BEAT THAT, DECEPTION!
DO THAT AND YOU WIN THE TOURNAMENT—HALT EARTH'S INVASION—AND RETURN SAFELY TO YOUR PLANET WITH THE EARTHLING PRISONERS!
THUD!


BUT TO THE LOVELY AMAZON'S ASTONISHMENT, HER DISCUS, WHICH SHE HAS HURLED FAR BEYOND DUKE DECEPTION'S, WHIRLS BACK TO HER---
YOU'VE TRICKED ME! MY DISCUS IS A BOOMERANG! NO MATTER HOW FAR I THROW, IT WILL RETURN TO ME! HOW CAN I BEAT YOU?
YOU **CAN'T**! AND YOU'LL PAY WITH YOUR LIFE! HO! HO!
SWOOOSH!


A MILLION THOUGHTS TUMBLE THROUGH THE AMAZON'S MIND, AND THEN, WITH A TREMENDOUS HEAVE---
YOU'VE GONE MAD! YOU'VE HURLED THE DISCUS IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION! YOU SURELY LOSE NOW!
WE SHALL SEE!
WHOOSH!!
WONDER WOMAN'S AMAZING CAST SENDS THE BOOMERANGING DISCUS COMPLETELY AROUND MARS ITSELF!
WHOOOSH!!
BACK TO THE STADIUM WHIRLS THE DISCUS, EN ROUTE BACK TO ITS HURLER, WHO STANDS WELL AHEAD OF THE DUKE'S DISCUS AND---
NO, DECEPTION! YOU TRICKED YOURSELF!
YOU TRICKED ME!
SHORTLY---
WONDER WOMAN HAS CLEARLY SHOWN US WE COULDN'T POSSIBLY CONQUER EARTH, DUKE! THE INVASION IS OFF! AND DON'T FORGET— BY MARTIAN LAW— SHE'S WON THE RIGHT FOR A SAFE RETURN TO HER PLANET WITH THE OTHER EARTHLINGS!
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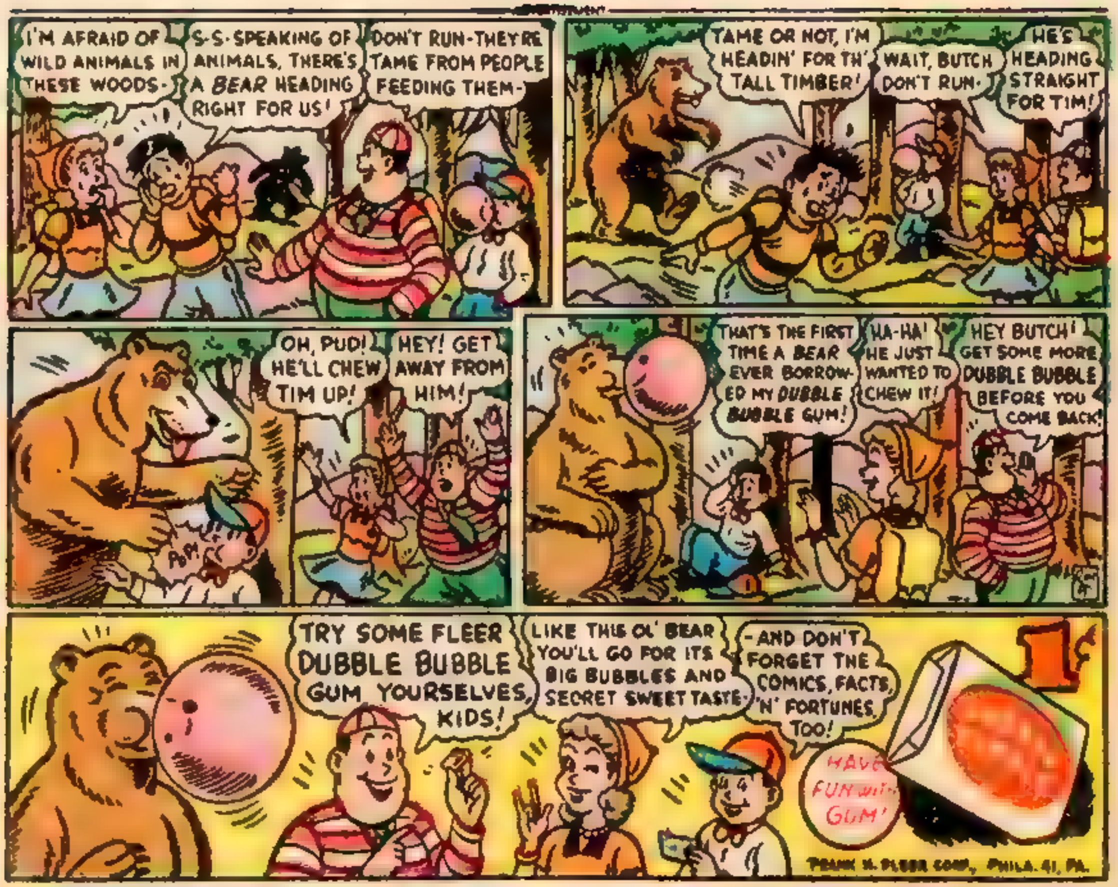
AFTER WONDER WOMAN RETURNS SAFELY TO EARTH WITH THE MISSING ATHLETES---
THANK GOODNESS YOU'VE ARRIVED, WONDER WOMAN! THERE'S AN AMAZING MYSTERY TO BE SOLVED! CHAMPION ATHLETES DISAPPEARING INTO THIN AIR! HAVE YOU ANY IDEA WHAT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED?
I'LL TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT, STEVE!
END


I'M AFRAID OF WILD ANIMALS IN THESE WOODS-
S-S-SPEAKING OF ANIMALS, THERE'S A BEAR HEADING RIGHT FOR US!
DON'T RUN-THEY'RE TAME FROM PEOPLE FEEDING THEM-
TAME OR NOT, I'M HEADIN' FOR TH' TALL TIMBER!
WAIT, BUTCH DON'T RUN-
HE'S HEADING STRAIGHT FOR TIM!
OH, PUD! HE'LL CHEW TIM UP!
HEY! GET AWAY FROM HIM!
POP!
THAT'S THE FIRST TIME A BEAR EVER BORROWED MY DUBBLE BUBBLE GUM!
HA-HA! HE JUST WANTED TO CHEW IT!
HEY BUTCH! GET SOME MORE DUBBLE BUBBLE BEFORE YOU COME BACK!
TRY SOME FLEER DUBBLE BUBBLE GUM YOURSELVES, KIDS!
LIKE THIS OL' BEAR YOU'LL GO FOR ITS BIG BUBBLES AND SECRET SWEET TASTE-
-AND DON'T FORGET THE COMICS, FACTS, 'N' FORTUNES, TOO!
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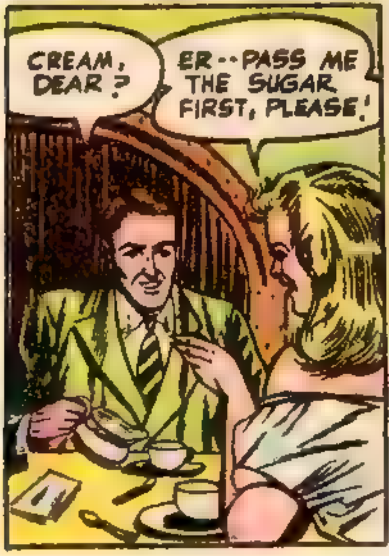
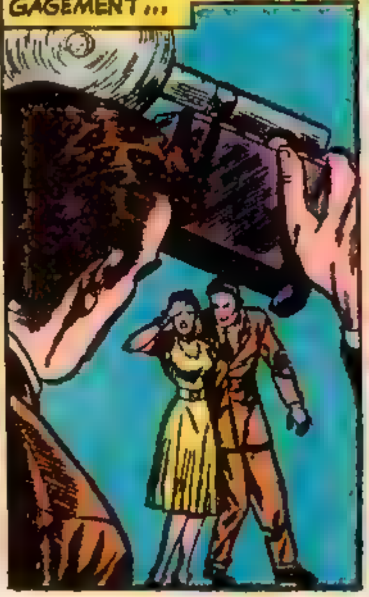
HAVE FUN WITH GUM!
FRANK H. FLEER CORP., PHILA. 41, PA.

BROKEN ENGAGEMENTS!

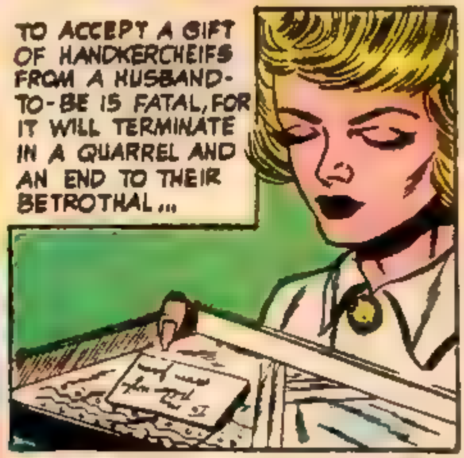
WHEN DINING OUT WITH HER SWEETHEART, A GIRL MUST BE CAREFUL NOT TO PUT THE MILK OR CREAM IN HER BEVERAGE BEFORE THE SUGAR, OTHERWISE THE COURTSHIP IS HEADED FOR AN UNTIMELY END...


CREAM, DEAR?
ER--PASS ME THE SUGAR FIRST, PLEASE!

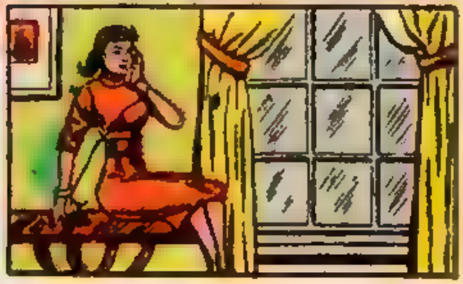
COURTING COUPLES SELDOM LIKE TO BE PHOTOGRAPHED TOGETHER, BASED ON THE OLD BELIEF THAT IT WILL LEAD TO A BROKEN ENGAGEMENT...



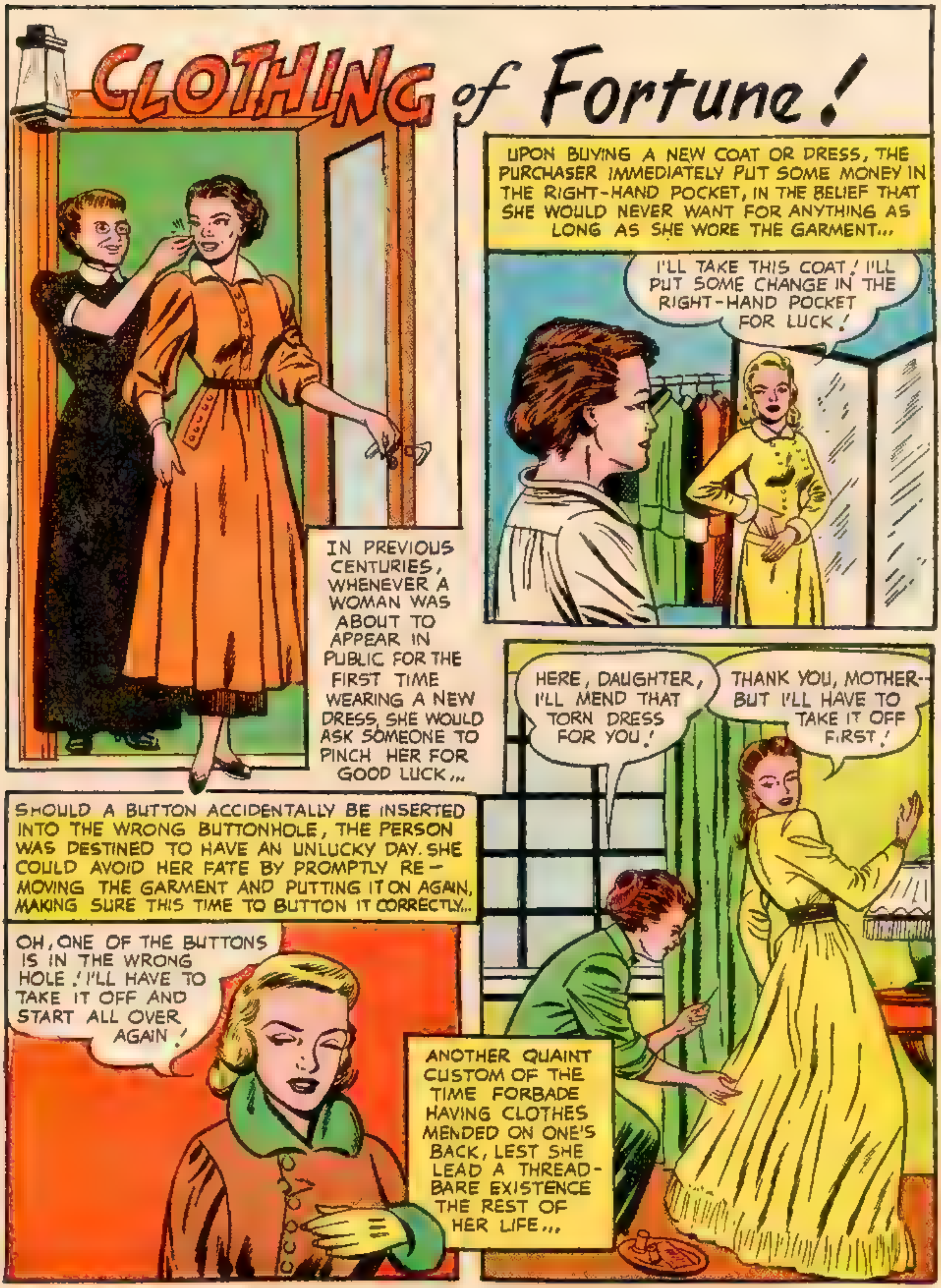
TO ACCEPT A GIFT OF HANDKERCHEIFS FROM A HUSBAND-TO-BE IS FATAL, FOR IT WILL TERMINATE IN A QUARREL AND AN END TO THEIR BETROTHAL...



A GIRL SHOULD BE CAREFUL NEVER TO SIT ON A TABLE WHILE TALKING TO HER FIANCE, FOR IT'S BOUND TO END WITH HIS CALLING OFF THEIR WEDDING.



CLOTHING of Fortune!



IN PREVIOUS CENTURIES, WHENEVER A WOMAN WAS ABOUT TO APPEAR IN PUBLIC FOR THE FIRST TIME WEARING A NEW DRESS, SHE WOULD ASK SOMEONE TO PINCH HER FOR GOOD LUCK...

UPON BUYING A NEW COAT OR DRESS, THE PURCHASER IMMEDIATELY PUT SOME MONEY IN THE RIGHT-HAND POCKET, IN THE BELIEF THAT SHE WOULD NEVER WANT FOR ANYTHING AS LONG AS SHE WORE THE GARMENT...

I'LL TAKE THIS COAT! I'LL PUT SOME CHANGE IN THE RIGHT-HAND POCKET FOR LUCK!

SHOULD A BUTTON ACCIDENTALLY BE INSERTED INTO THE WRONG BUTTONHOLE, THE PERSON WAS DESTINED TO HAVE AN UNLUCKY DAY. SHE COULD AVOID HER FATE BY PROMPTLY REMOVING THE GARMENT AND PUTTING IT ON AGAIN, MAKING SURE THIS TIME TO BUTTON IT CORRECTLY...

OH, ONE OF THE BUTTONS IS IN THE WRONG HOLE! I'LL HAVE TO TAKE IT OFF AND START ALL OVER AGAIN!
HERE, DAUGHTER, I'LL MEND THAT TORN DRESS FOR YOU!
THANK YOU, MOTHER-- BUT I'LL HAVE TO TAKE IT OFF FIRST!

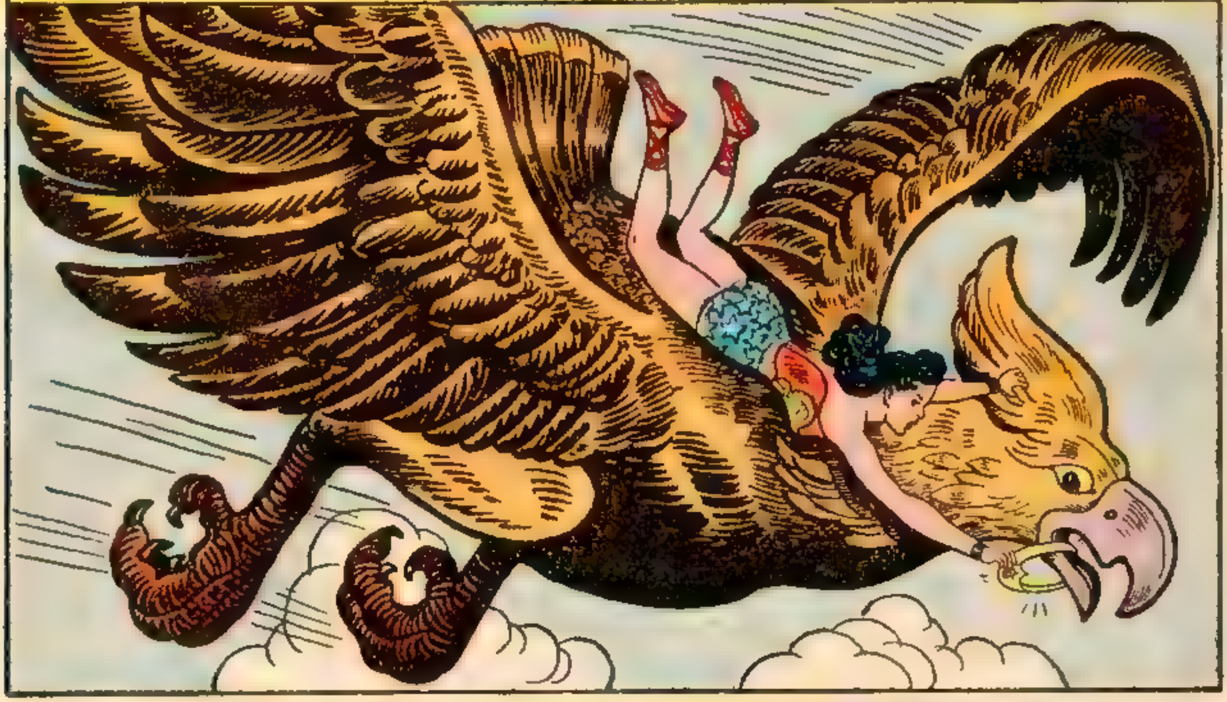
ANOTHER QUAINT CUSTOM OF THE TIME FORBADE HAVING CLOTHES MENDED ON ONE'S BACK, LEST SHE LEAD A THREADBARE EXISTENCE THE REST OF HER LIFE...

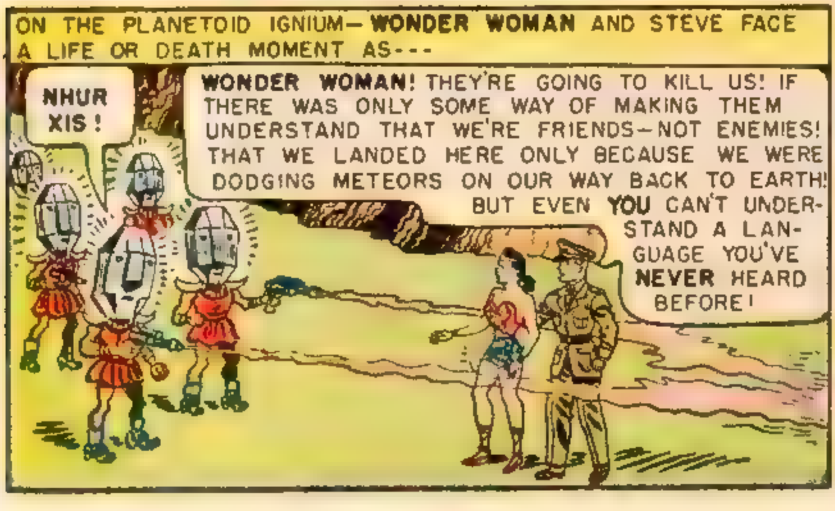
Wonder Woman

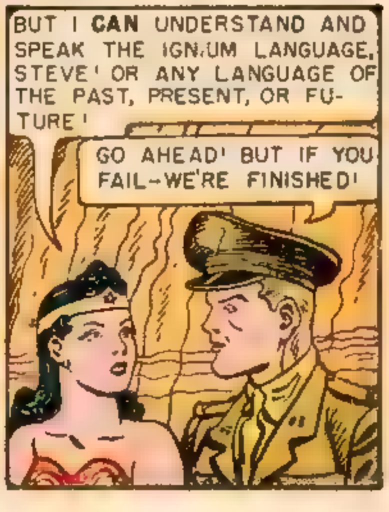
By CHARLES MOULTON

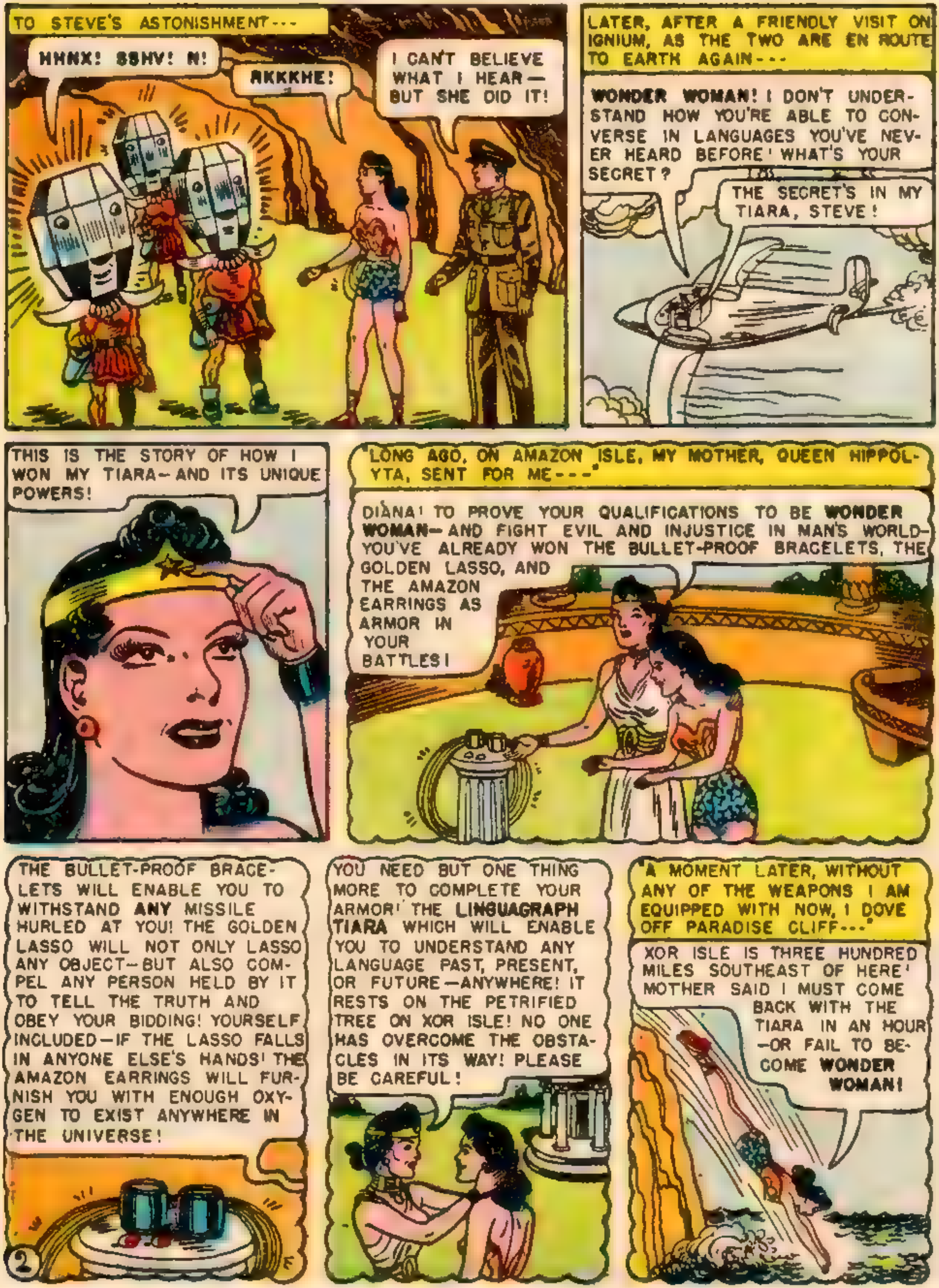
MANY READERS HAVE WRITTEN IN ASKING HOW **WONDER WOMAN**—BEAUTIFUL AS APHRODITE, WISE AS ATHENA, SWIFTER THAN MERCURY, AND STRONGER THAN HERCULES—IS ABLE TO UNDERSTAND ALL LANGUAGES— PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE, ON THIS OR ANY OTHER PLANET! HERE, FOR THE FIRST TIME, IS THE AMAZING STORY OF------

"The TALKING TIARA!"




ON THE PLANETOID IGNIUM—**WONDER WOMAN** AND STEVE FACE A LIFE OR DEATH MOMENT AS---
NHUR XIS!
WONDER WOMAN! THEY'RE GOING TO KILL US! IF THERE WAS ONLY SOME WAY OF MAKING THEM UNDERSTAND THAT WE'RE FRIENDS—NOT ENEMIES! THAT WE LANDED HERE ONLY BECAUSE WE WERE DODGING METEORS ON OUR WAY BACK TO EARTH! BUT EVEN **YOU** CAN'T UNDERSTAND A LANGUAGE YOU'VE **NEVER** HEARD BEFORE!


BUT I **CAN** UNDERSTAND AND SPEAK THE IGNIUM LANGUAGE, STEVE! OR ANY LANGUAGE OF THE PAST, PRESENT, OR FUTURE!
GO AHEAD! BUT IF YOU FAIL—WE'RE FINISHED!


TO STEVE'S ASTONISHMENT---
HHHX! SSHV! N!
RKKKHE!
I CAN'T BELIEVE WHAT I HEAR— BUT SHE DID IT!
LATER, AFTER A FRIENDLY VISIT ON IGNIUM, AS THE TWO ARE EN ROUTE TO EARTH AGAIN---
WONDER WOMAN! I DON'T UNDERSTAND HOW YOU'RE ABLE TO CONVERSE IN LANGUAGES YOU'VE NEVER HEARD BEFORE! WHAT'S YOUR SECRET?
THE SECRET'S IN MY TIARA, STEVE!
THIS IS THE STORY OF HOW I WON MY TIARA—AND ITS UNIQUE POWERS!
"LONG AGO, ON AMAZON ISLE, MY MOTHER, QUEEN HIPPOLYTA, SENT FOR ME---"
DIANA! TO PROVE YOUR QUALIFICATIONS TO BE WONDER WOMAN—AND FIGHT EVIL AND INJUSTICE IN MAN'S WORLD—YOU'VE ALREADY WON THE BULLET-PROOF BRACELETS, THE GOLDEN LASSO, AND THE AMAZON EARRINGS AS ARMOR IN YOUR BATTLES!
THE BULLET-PROOF BRACELETS WILL ENABLE YOU TO WITHSTAND ANY MISSILE HURLED AT YOU! THE GOLDEN LASSO WILL NOT ONLY LASSO ANY OBJECT—BUT ALSO COMPEL ANY PERSON HELD BY IT TO TELL THE TRUTH AND OBEY YOUR BIDDING! YOURSELF INCLUDED—IF THE LASSO FALLS IN ANYONE ELSE'S HANDS! THE AMAZON EARRINGS WILL FURNISH YOU WITH ENOUGH OXYGEN TO EXIST ANYWHERE IN THE UNIVERSE!
YOU NEED BUT ONE THING MORE TO COMPLETE YOUR ARMOR! THE LINGUAGRAPH TIARA WHICH WILL ENABLE YOU TO UNDERSTAND ANY LANGUAGE PAST, PRESENT, OR FUTURE—ANYWHERE! IT RESTS ON THE PETRIFIED TREE ON XOR ISLE! NO ONE HAS OVERCOME THE OBSTACLES IN ITS WAY! PLEASE BE CAREFUL!
"A MOMENT LATER, WITHOUT ANY OF THE WEAPONS I AM EQUIPPED WITH NOW, I DOVE OFF PARADISE CLIFF---"
XOR ISLE IS THREE HUNDRED MILES SOUTHEAST OF HERE! MOTHER SAID I MUST COME BACK WITH THE TIARA IN AN HOUR —OR FAIL TO BECOME WONDER WOMAN!
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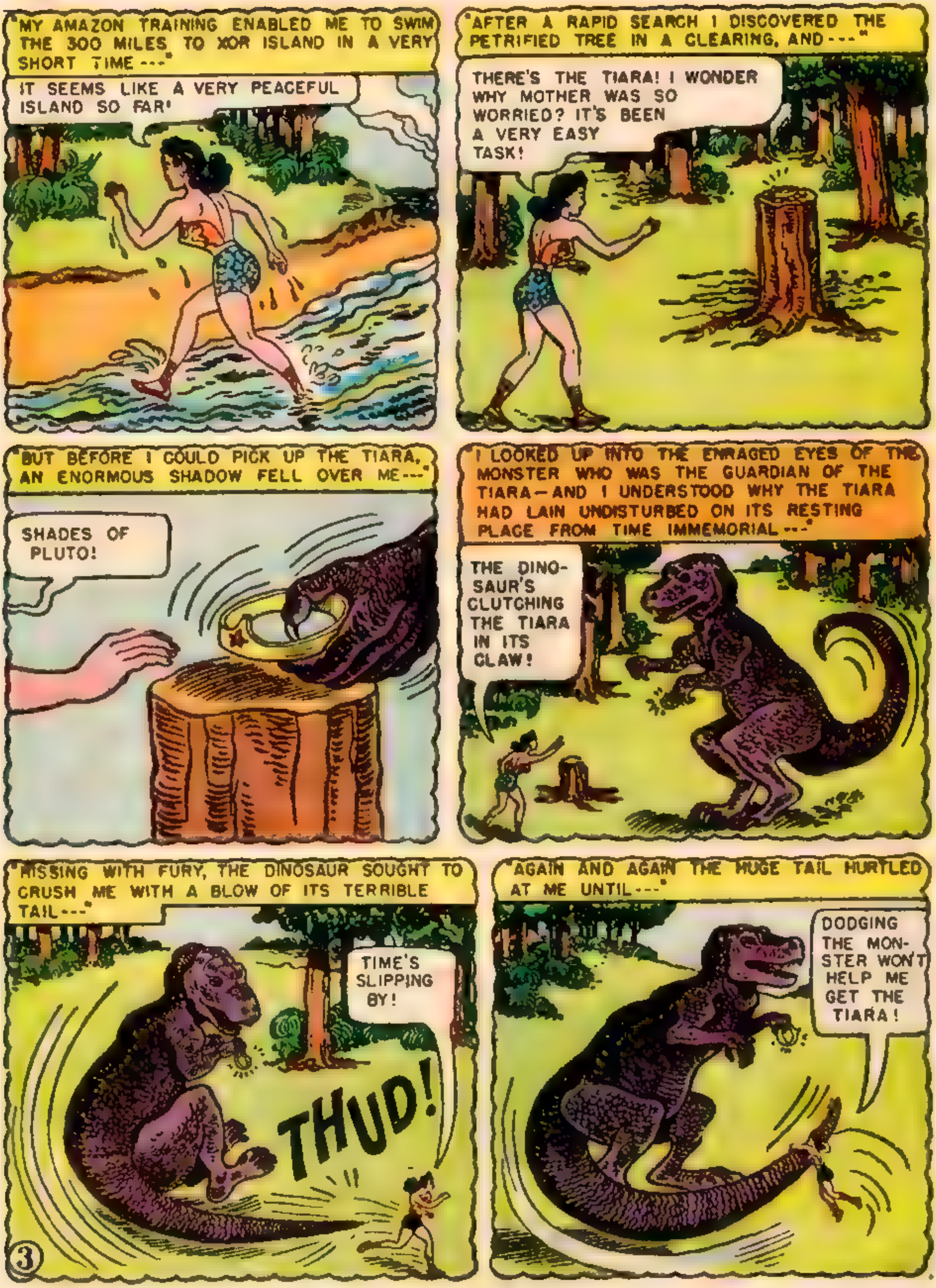
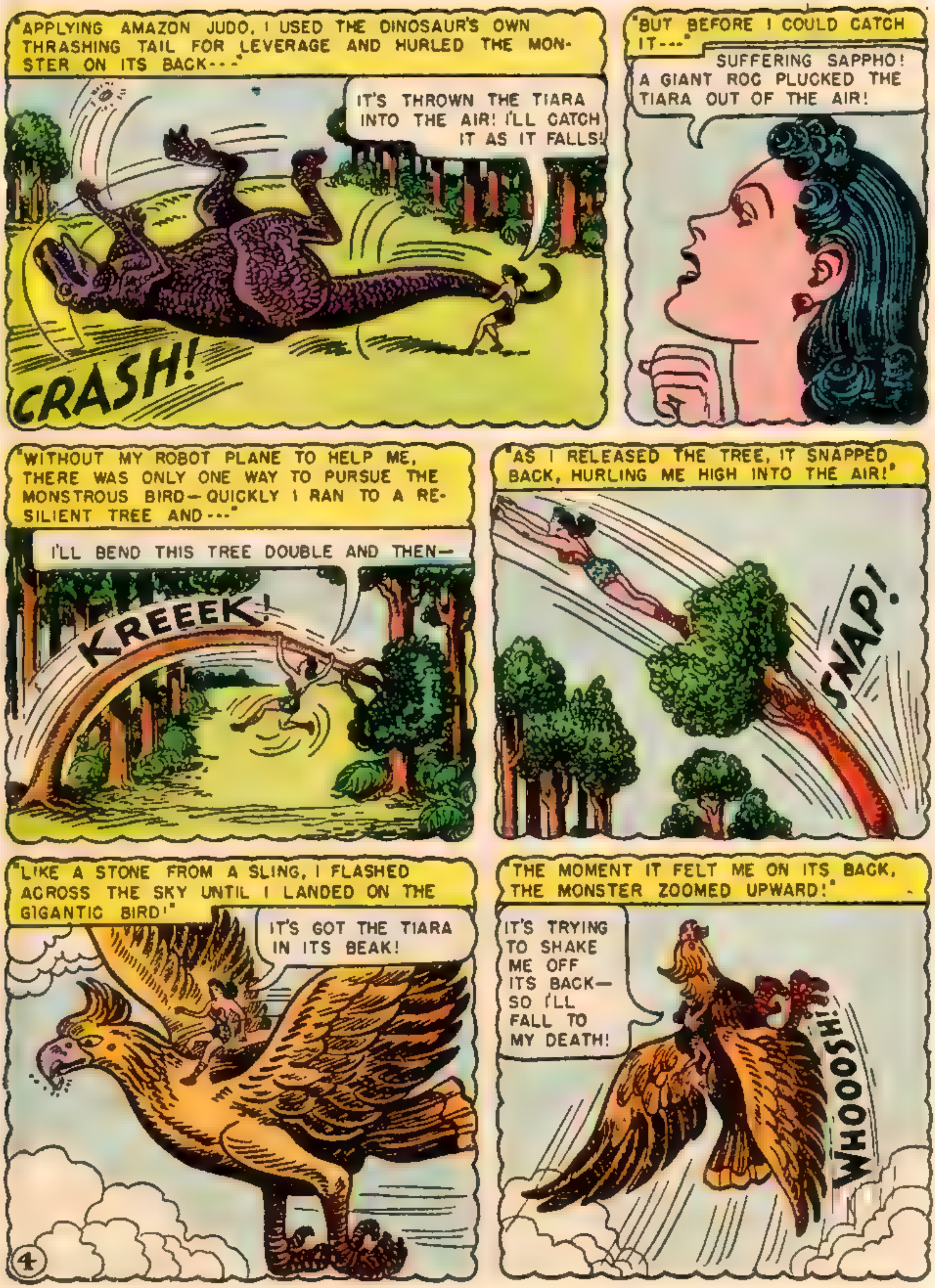
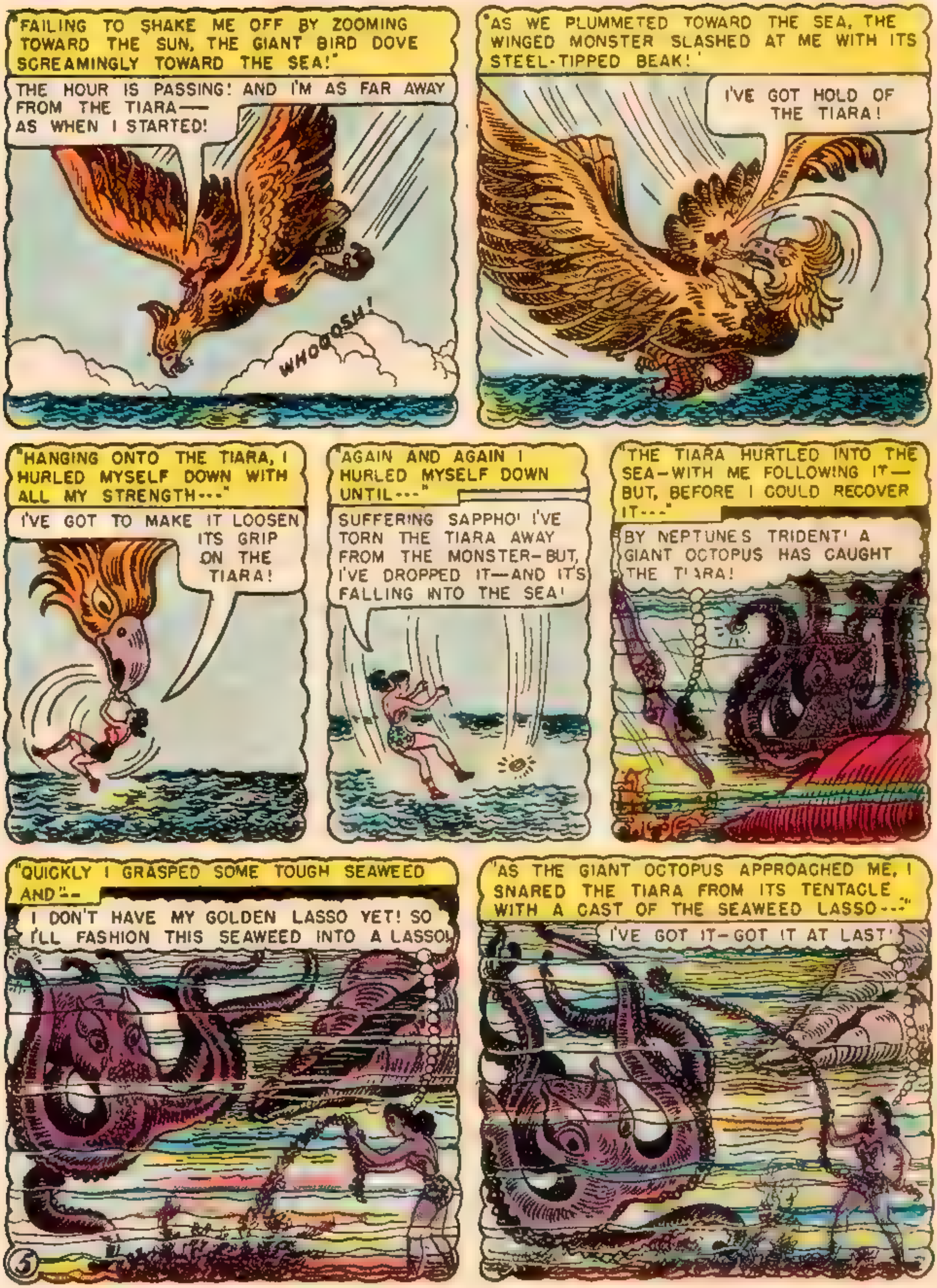
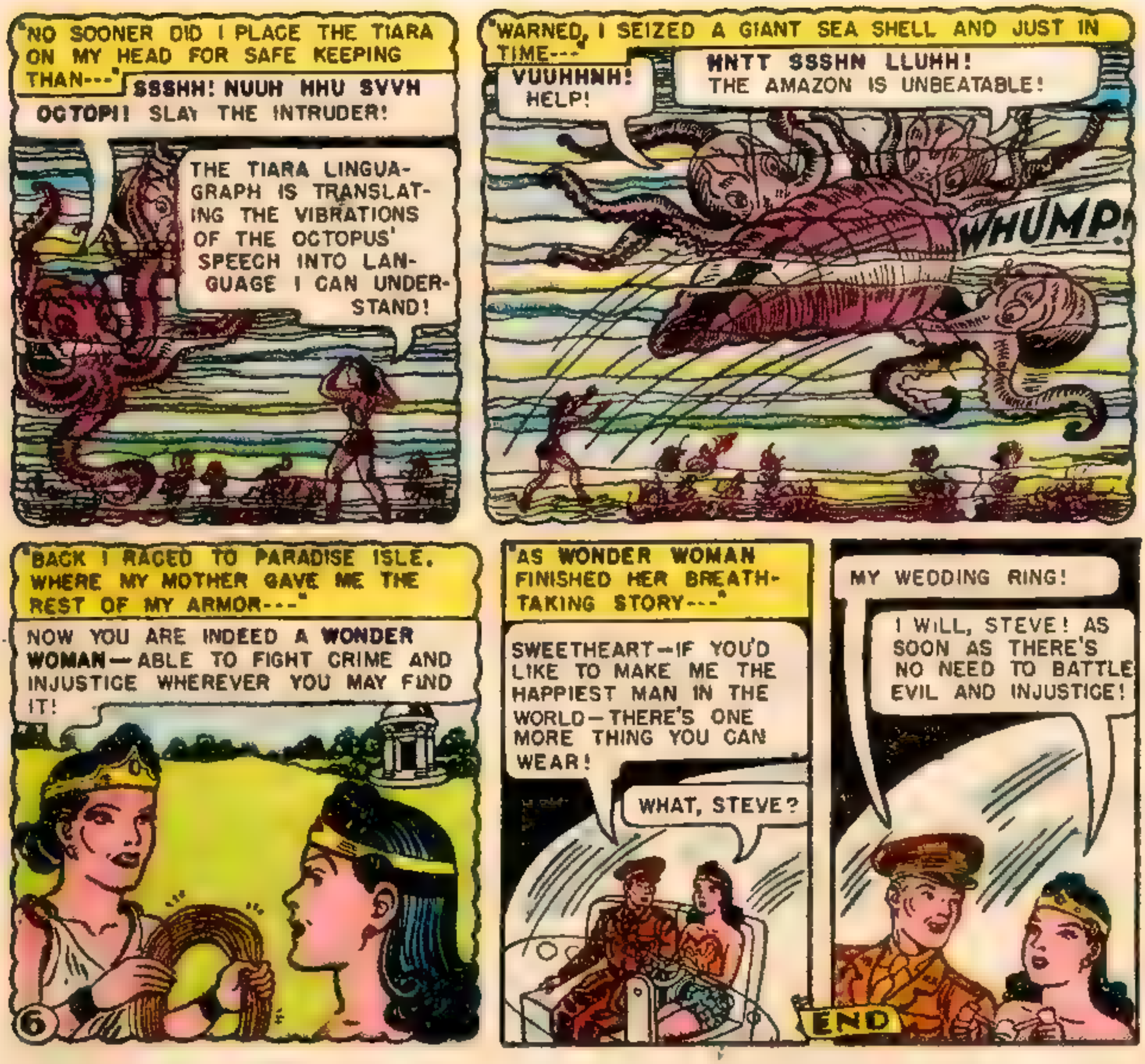

"MY AMAZON TRAINING ENABLED ME TO SWIM THE 300 MILES TO XOR ISLAND IN A VERY SHORT TIME---"
IT SEEMS LIKE A VERY PEACEFUL ISLAND SO FAR!
"AFTER A RAPID SEARCH I DISCOVERED THE PETRIFIED TREE IN A CLEARING, AND---"
THERE'S THE TIARA! I WONDER WHY MOTHER WAS SO WORRIED? IT'S BEEN A VERY EASY TASK!
"BUT BEFORE I COULD PICK UP THE TIARA, AN ENORMOUS SHADOW FELL OVER ME---"
SHADES OF PLUTO!
"I LOOKED UP INTO THE ENRAGED EYES OF THE MONSTER WHO WAS THE GUARDIAN OF THE TIARA—AND I UNDERSTOOD WHY THE TIARA HAD LAIN UNDISTURBED ON ITS RESTING PLACE FROM TIME IMMEMORIAL---"
THE DINOSAUR'S CLUTCHING THE TIARA IN ITS CLAW!
"HISSING WITH FURY, THE DINOSAUR SOUGHT TO CRUSH ME WITH A BLOW OF ITS TERRIBLE TAIL---"
TIME'S SLIPPING BY!
THUD!
"AGAIN AND AGAIN THE HUGE TAIL HURTLED AT ME UNTIL---"
DODGING THE MONSTER WON'T HELP ME GET THE TIARA!


"APPLYING AMAZON JUDO, I USED THE DINOSAUR'S OWN THRASHING TAIL FOR LEVERAGE AND HURLED THE MONSTER ON ITS BACK---"
IT'S THROWN THE TIARA INTO THE AIR! I'LL CATCH IT AS IT FALLS!
CRASH!
"BUT BEFORE I COULD CATCH IT---"
SUFFERING SAPPHO! A GIANT ROC PLUCKED THE TIARA OUT OF THE AIR!
"WITHOUT MY ROBOT PLANE TO HELP ME, THERE WAS ONLY ONE WAY TO PURSUE THE MONSTROUS BIRD—QUICKLY I RAN TO A RESILIENT TREE AND---"
I'LL BEND THIS TREE DOUBLE AND THEN—
KREEEK!
"AS I RELEASED THE TREE, IT SNAPPED BACK, HURLING ME HIGH INTO THE AIR!"
SNAP!
"LIKE A STONE FROM A SLING, I FLASHED ACROSS THE SKY UNTIL I LANDED ON THE GIGANTIC BIRD!"
IT'S GOT THE TIARA IN ITS BEAK!
"THE MOMENT IT FELT ME ON ITS BACK, THE MONSTER ZOOMED UPWARD!"
IT'S TRYING TO SHAKE ME OFF ITS BACK—SO I'LL FALL TO MY DEATH!
WHOOOSH!


"FAILING TO SHAKE ME OFF BY ZOOMING TOWARD THE SUN, THE GIANT BIRD DOVE SCREAMINGLY TOWARD THE SEA!"
THE HOUR IS PASSING! AND I'M AS FAR AWAY FROM THE TIARA— AS WHEN I STARTED!
WHOOOSH!
"AS WE PLUMMETED TOWARD THE SEA, THE WINGED MONSTER SLASHED AT ME WITH ITS STEEL-TIPPED BEAK!"
I'VE GOT HOLD OF THE TIARA!
"HANGING ONTO THE TIARA, I HURLED MYSELF DOWN WITH ALL MY STRENGTH---"
I'VE GOT TO MAKE IT LOOSEN ITS GRIP ON THE TIARA!
"AGAIN AND AGAIN I HURLED MYSELF DOWN UNTIL---"
SUFFERING SAPPHO! I'VE TORN THE TIARA AWAY FROM THE MONSTER—BUT, I'VE DROPPED IT—AND IT'S FALLING INTO THE SEA!
"THE TIARA HURTLED INTO THE SEA—WITH ME FOLLOWING IT— BUT, BEFORE I COULD RECOVER IT---"
BY NEPTUNE'S TRIDENT! A GIANT OCTOPUS HAS CAUGHT THE TIARA!
"QUICKLY I GRASPED SOME TOUGH SEAWEED AND"--
I DON'T HAVE MY GOLDEN LASSO YET! SO I'LL FASHION THIS SEAWEED INTO A LASSO!
"AS THE GIANT OCTOPUS APPROACHED ME, I SNARED THE TIARA FROM ITS TENTACLE WITH A CAST OF THE SEAWEED LASSO--"
I'VE GOT IT—GOT IT AT LAST!


"NO SOONER DID I PLACE THE TIARA ON MY HEAD FOR SAFE KEEPING THAN---"
SSSHH! NUUH HHU SVVH OCTOPI! SLAY THE INTRUDER!
THE TIARA LINGUAGRAPH IS TRANSLATING THE VIBRATIONS OF THE OCTOPUS' SPEECH INTO LANGUAGE I CAN UNDERSTAND!
"WARNED, I SEIZED A GIANT SEA SHELL AND JUST IN TIME---"
VUUHHNH! HELP!
HNTT SSSHN LLUHH! THE AMAZON IS UNBEATABLE!
WHUMP!
"BACK I RACED TO PARADISE ISLE, WHERE MY MOTHER GAVE ME THE REST OF MY ARMOR---"
NOW YOU ARE INDEED A WONDER WOMAN—ABLE TO FIGHT CRIME AND INJUSTICE WHEREVER YOU MAY FIND IT!
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"AS WONDER WOMAN FINISHED HER BREATH-TAKING STORY---"
SWEETHEART—IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE ME THE HAPPIEST MAN IN THE WORLD—THERE'S ONE MORE THING YOU CAN WEAR!
WHAT, STEVE?
MY WEDDING RING!
I WILL, STEVE! AS SOON AS THERE'S NO NEED TO BATTLE EVIL AND INJUSTICE!
END

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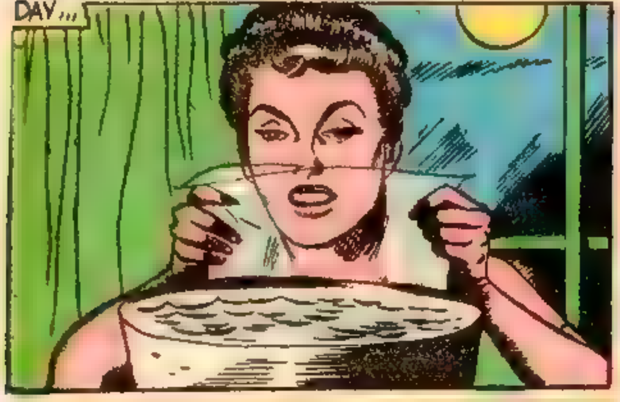
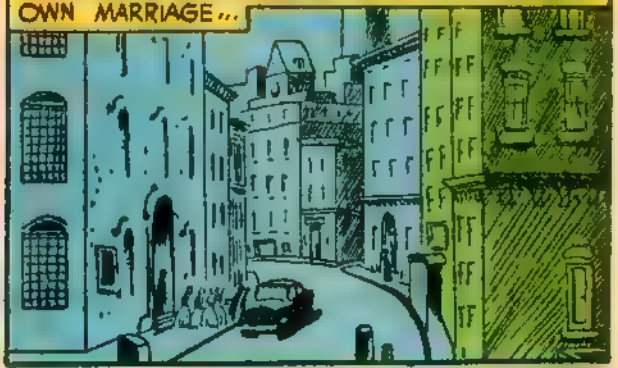
ATTENTION--ALL BACHELOR GIRLS! ARE YOU ANXIOUS TO FIND OUT HOW LONG YOU MUST WAIT TILL THE MAN OF YOUR DREAMS PROPOSES? THEN DO AS YOUNG WOMEN DID IN EARLIER TIMES -- ALTHOUGH THE RESULTS OBTAINED WITH THE SOOTHSAYING METHODS DEPICTED HEREWITH ARE *NOT* GUARANTEED...

LOOK THROUGH A SILK HANDKERCHIEF AT THE REFLECTIONS THE NEW MOON CASTS IN A BUCKET OF WATER. THE NUMBER OF MOON IMAGES WILL REPRESENT THE NUMBER OF MONTHS TO THE WEDDING DAY...



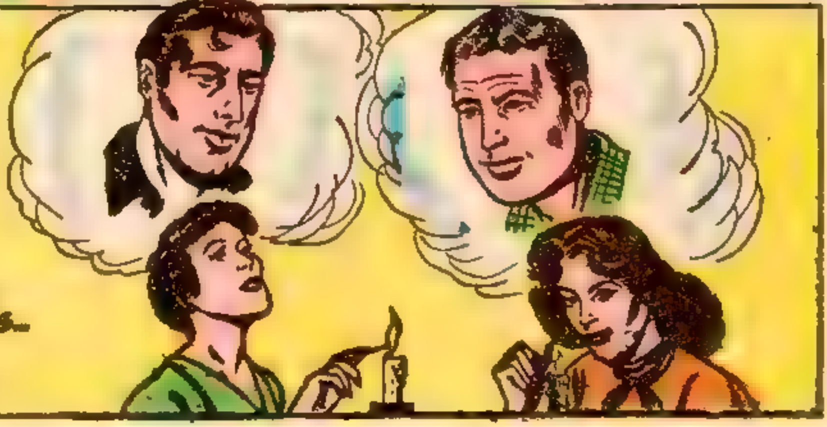
ANOTHER WEDDING FORECAST CAN BE OBTAINED BY WAITING NEAR A CHURCH AT MIDNIGHT OF APRIL 24 (ST. MARK'S EVE). THE NUMBER OF BRIDESMAIDS ATTENDING A WEDDING PARTY THERE WILL INDICATE THE MONTHS REMAINING UNTIL THE ONLOOKER'S OWN MARRIAGE...

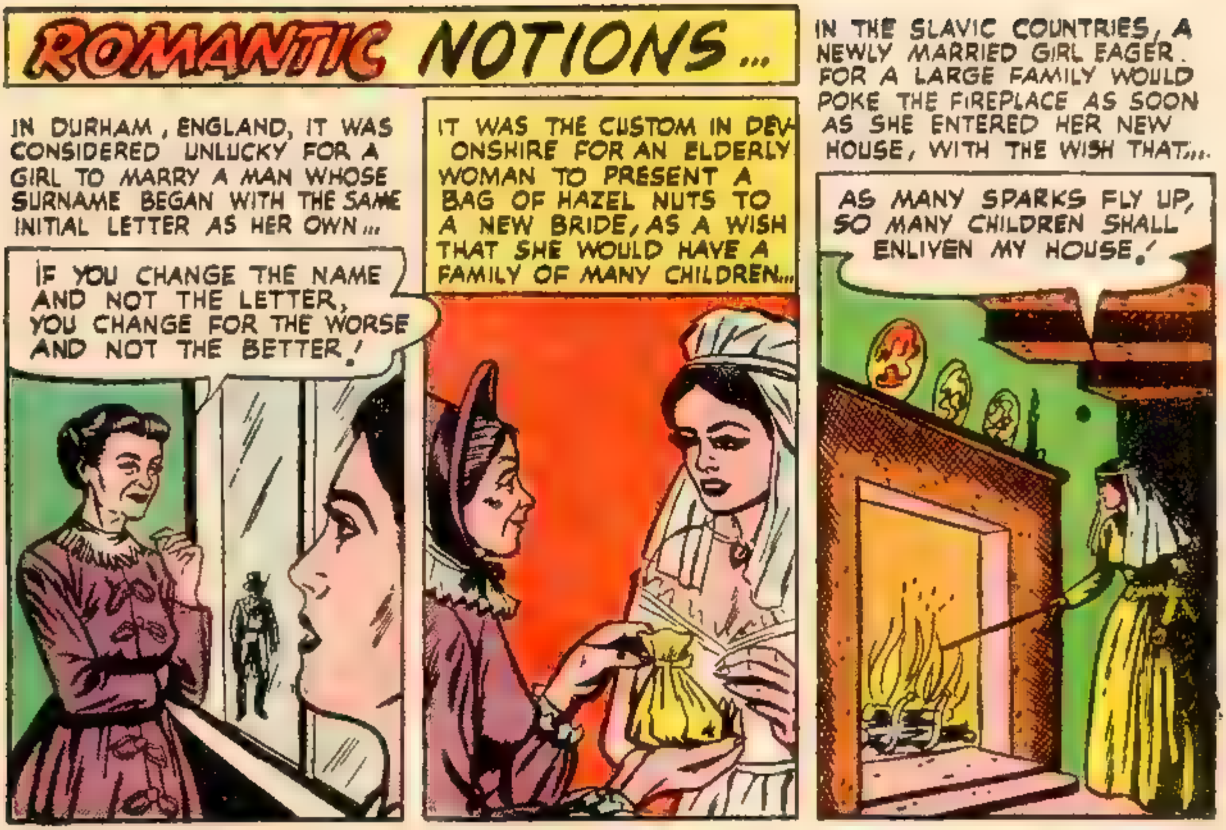


THE ARRIVAL OF SPRING PROVIDES ANOTHER OPPORTUNITY TO PREDICT ONE'S WEDDING DATE. THE NUMBER OF NOTES SUNG BY THE FIRST CUCKOO SEEN WILL EQUAL THE NUMBER OF YEARS ONE WILL STILL REMAIN SINGLE...

PICK A SINGLE STICK FROM A WOODSTOCK AT NIGHT. IF THE STICK IS STRAIGHT AND EVEN, THE HUSBAND-TO-BE-WILL BE GENTLE; BUT IF THE STICK IS CROOKED OR KNOTTY, IS A SIGN THAT THE HUSBAND WILL BE RUDE AND UNMANNERLY...

TWO UNMARRIED GIRLS SHOULD SIT SILENTLY IN A ROOM BY THEMSELVES FROM MIDNIGHT TO DAWN. AS EACH GIRL PULLS AS MANY HAIRS FROM HER HEAD AS SHE IS OLD, SHE MUST BURN THE HAIRS ONE BY ONE, UNTIL SHE HAS A VISION OF HER FUTURE MATE. STRANGELY ENOUGH, EACH GIRL WILL SEE ONLY HER OWN HUSBAND, NOT THE OTHER'S...




ROMANTIC NOTIONS...
IN DURHAM, ENGLAND, IT WAS CONSIDERED UNLUCKY FOR A GIRL TO MARRY A MAN WHOSE SURNAME BEGAN WITH THE SAME INITIAL LETTER AS HER OWN...
IF YOU CHANGE THE NAME AND NOT THE LETTER, YOU CHANGE FOR THE WORSE AND NOT THE BETTER!
IT WAS THE CUSTOM IN DEVONSHIRE FOR AN ELDERLY WOMAN TO PRESENT A BAG OF HAZEL NUTS TO A NEW BRIDE, AS A WISH THAT SHE WOULD HAVE A FAMILY OF MANY CHILDREN...
IN THE SLAVIC COUNTRIES, A NEWLY MARRIED GIRL EAGER FOR A LARGE FAMILY WOULD POKE THE FIREPLACE AS SOON AS SHE ENTERED HER NEW HOUSE, WITH THE WISH THAT...
AS MANY SPARKS FLY UP, SO MANY CHILDREN SHALL ENLIVEN MY HOUSE!

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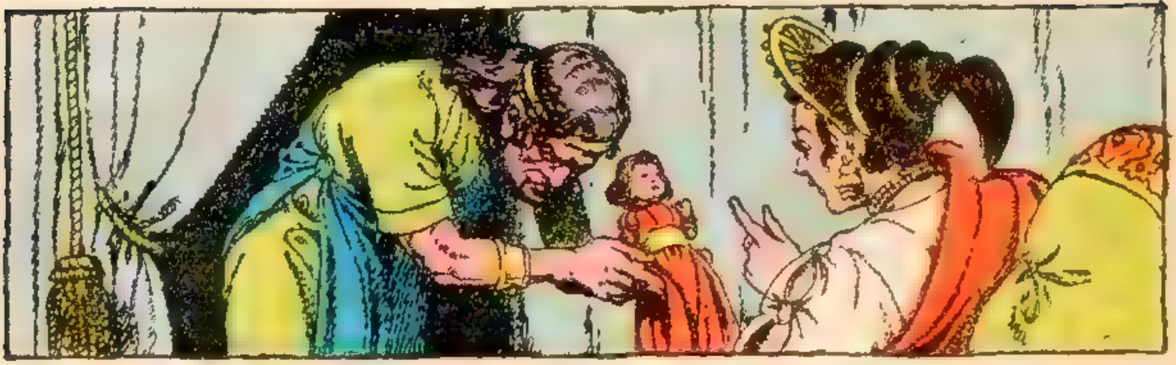


THE Emperor Nero was disturbed. After several years of marriage, his wife had still not borne him a son. The tyrant had, therefore, spoken sharply to his queen.

"I am displeased with you," he told the trembling queen. "It is not fitting that an emperor should be without a son."

The queen knew quite well what it meant to displease her tyrannical husband, and took her troubles to the court physician. Now, in those days, physicians depended more upon mystical means rather than scientific ones to affect healing, and Nero's court physician instantly went into seclusion to discover an answer to the perplexing problem.

Twenty-four hours later he was ushered into the presence of the impatient queen. In his hands he carried a small likeness of a baby.

The queen stared at the wax figure.

"Why," she exclaimed, "that little wax statue—it looks just like me!"

"Yes," whispered the psysician, "and I believe I have found the solution to your problem!"

Excitedly, the mystic explained his plan. The physician would make hundreds of these small likenesses, which would be distributed to the children of Rome. This act, he assured her, would enable her to present Nero with a son.

The queen eagerly accepted the novel plan, and for weeks skilled workers labored day and night to produce the small wax likenesses. The children of Rome were delighted with the unexpected gifts, immediately taking them to their hearts.

Alas, Nero died violently without his son, but the court physician's unsuccessful plot introduced into history the first known manufactured doll. Since then, dolls have never left the scene of world history, and an anthropologist once wrote that, in the study of past times, as much can be learned from an examination of the dolls as from any other objects of those times.

While the doll created by Nero's court physician is deemed to be the first *manufactured* doll, actually, little girls have played with dolls almost from the beginning of time. Tiny miniatures have been found in Egyptian tombs, and not long ago, a number of exquisite dolls, the eyes of which were made of fine gems, have been found in diggings in China, dating back thousands of years.

Psychologists tell us that little girls love dolls because of an innate mother instinct. They like to play house, and dress themselves up in mother's high-heeled shoes and aprons, and rock their little dolls to sleep in their tiny cribs. This, we are told, is nature's way of preparing them for their future roles in life.

This may all be so, but it hardly explains why so many little girls grow up into womanhood without losing that soft spot in their hearts for prettily dressed-up dolls. One doll manufacturer recently remarked that he designed his dolls to appeal to the grown-ups more than the kiddies, since, in his considered opinion, women bought dolls to please their own tastes, and not the little girls who will eventually own them.

This same manufacturer revealed that a survey he conducted showed that a large number of grown-ups made no pretense of buying dolls for children, and came right out with the news that the dolls were for themselves.

Last year, a woman in her early nineties died. She had lived alone in a lavish mansion, with no one but a butler and a maid to attend to her simple needs. But when a representative of her law firm entered the mansion after her death to take an inventory of her personal property, he found thousands of dolls all over the house.

Some of the dolls dated back to the woman's childhood, having been made in the 1860s. These, as well as the others, had been kept in perfect condition, and one, which was identified as an 1840 model, was spotlessly clean in a glass cage.

The lawyer scratched his head at the sight of the dolls, and his original entry on the appraisal form was the legal term for "junk." But some days later, after the newspapers had run a full account of the strange event, the lawyer crossed out the word "junk" and substituted "of considerable value."

The reason for the substitution was a sackful of mail from collectors far and wide, all of them offering fabulous sums for the entire collection of the dead woman. Eventually, a museum acquired the lot for a sum of money that was not disclosed, but which must have been "considerable."

Doll collecting, as a matter of fact, is more widespread than the average person realizes. Like stamp collectors, the doll collectors start out with a general collection. At first, any old doll will do. But, as the collection grows, the desire to specialize is somehow awakened, and an era of swapping and buying-and-selling begins.

There are notable collections in America today. One elderly man has a collection of Belgium dolls—nothing *but* Belgium dolls—that runs into thousands. A wealthy Detroit industrialist has spent a fortune in gathering together a collection of fine porcelain dolls, for which he built a special room in his mansion. The dolls repose in glass safes, and are visible from all sides.

Since the time of Nero, anecdotes about dolls have kept pace with the number of dolls themselves. And doll collectors can usually be depended upon to recount them while showing you their treasures.

In China, for instance, many years ago, modesty forbade a woman suffering from even a sprained leg, to permit the doctor to see or touch the ailing woman's leg. It was the custom, therefore, for the woman patient to bring along a doll and point to the injured parts.

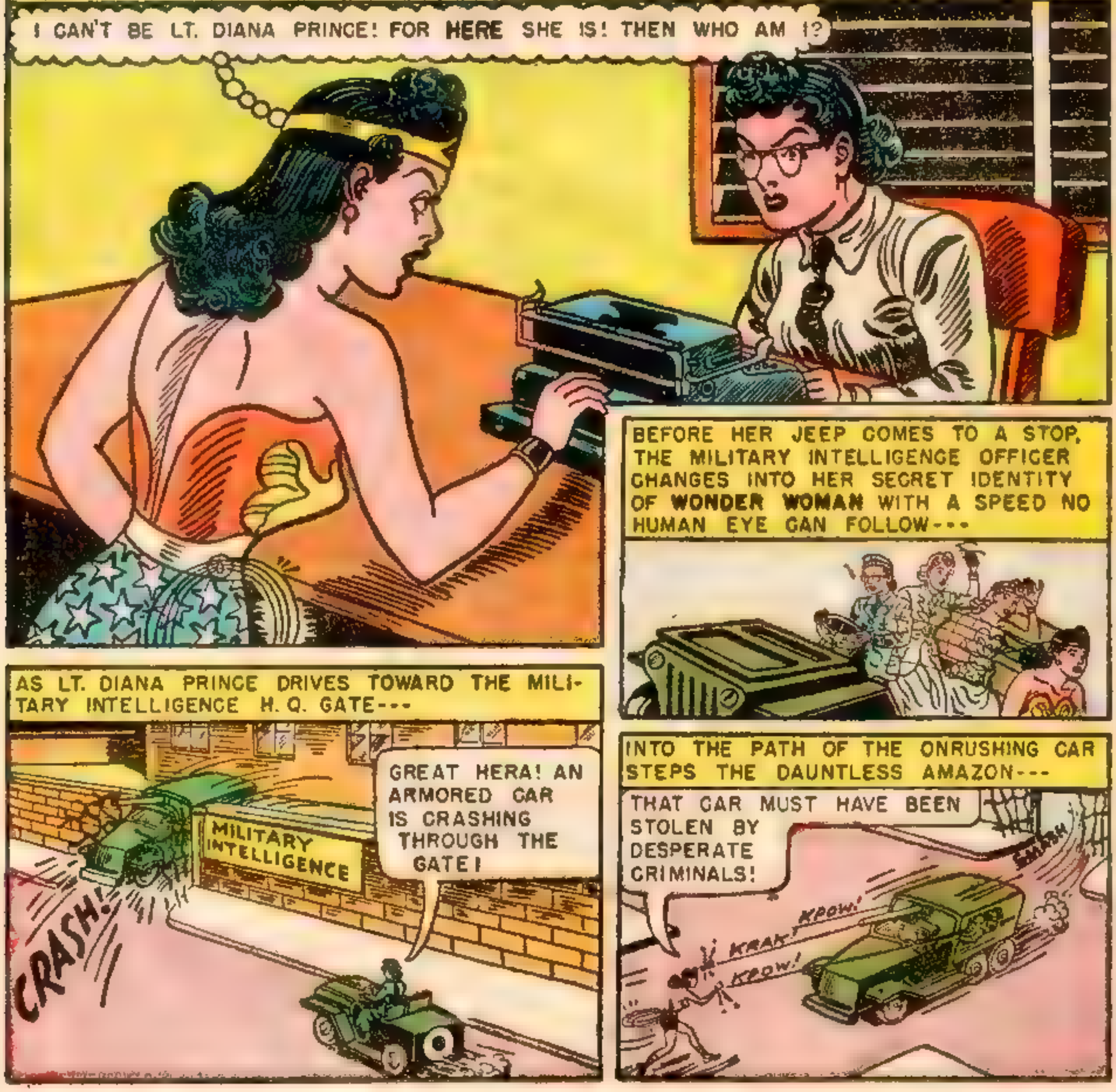
The same modesty, in Marie Antoinette's time, forbade dress designers to fit clothing on the customers in person. Instead, tailors were supplied with miniature dolls, built to the proportion of the customers, and the skilled tailors draped their fine designs on these dolls for the examination of the customers.

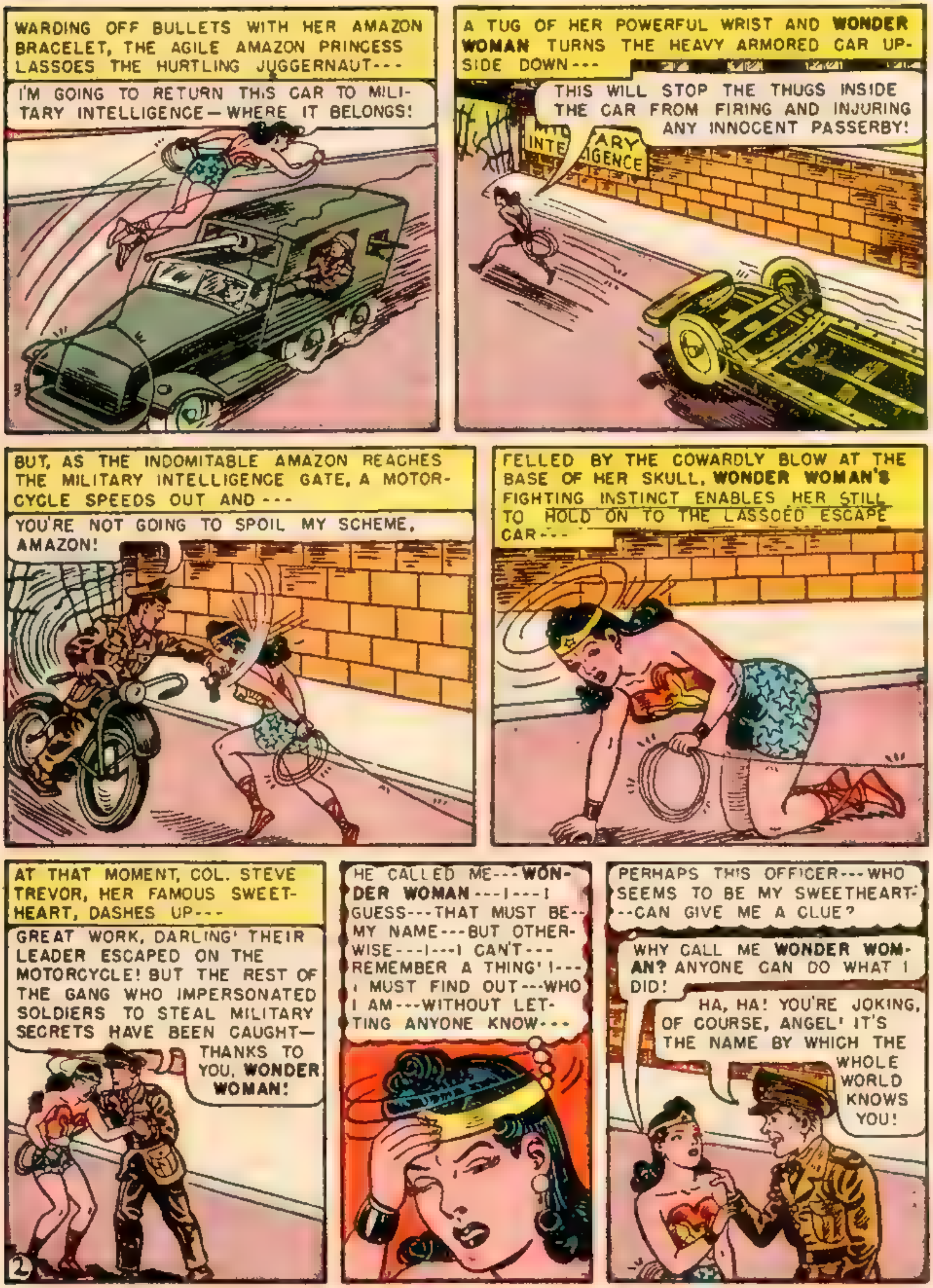
Wonder Woman

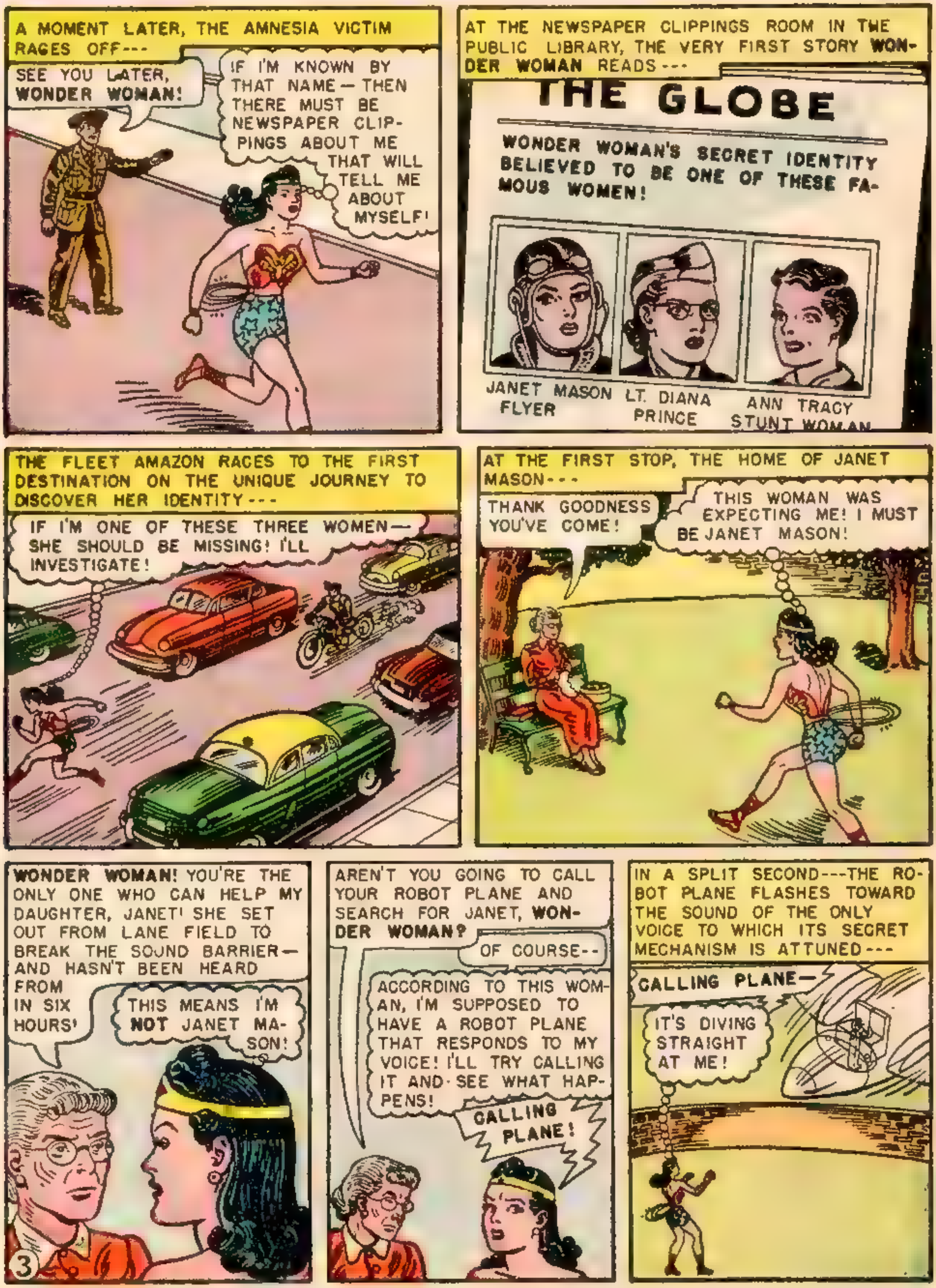
By CHARLES MOULTON

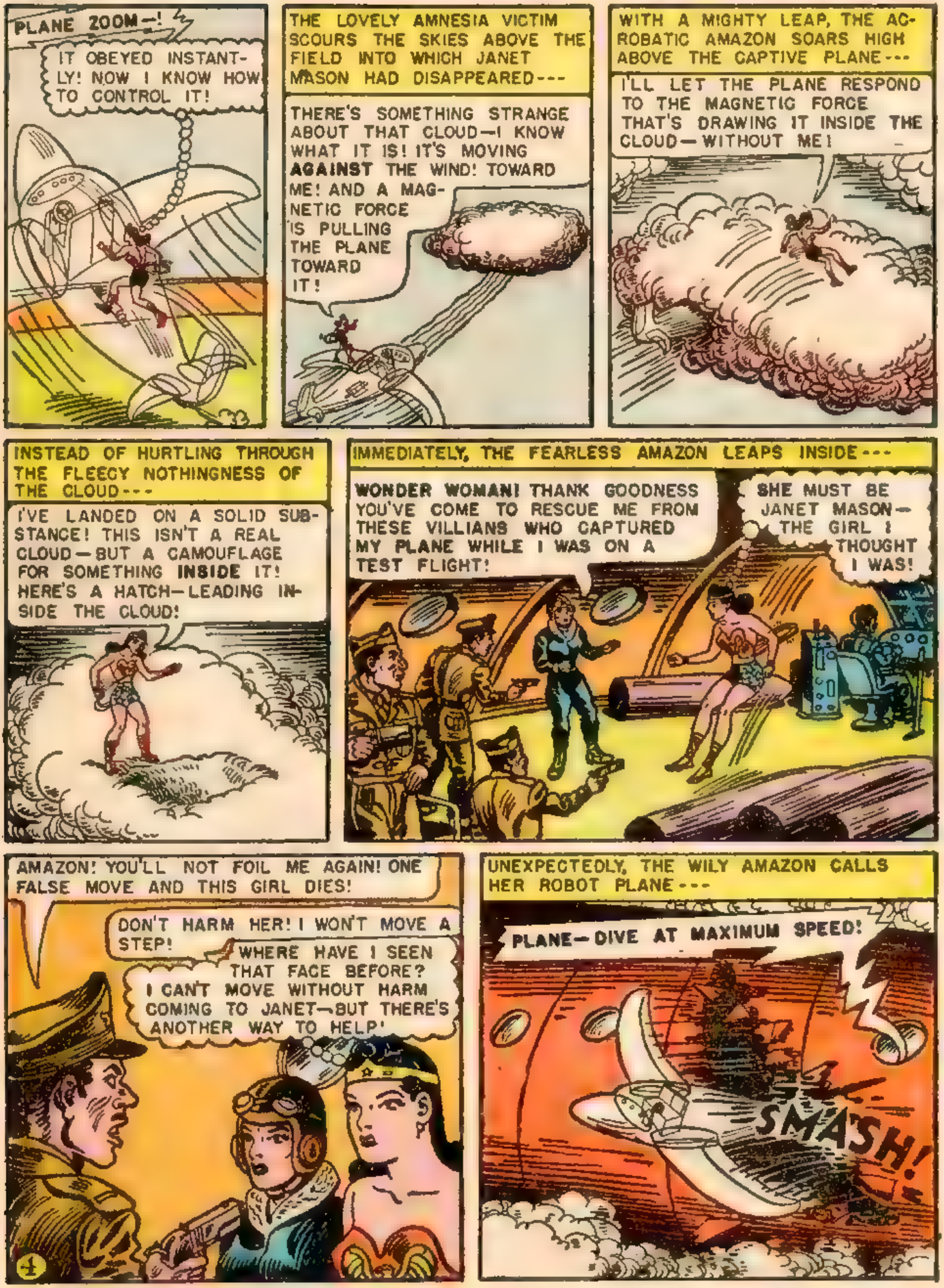
WAIT! **WONDER WOMAN** — BEAUTIFUL AS APHRODITE, WISE AS ATHENA, SWIFTER THAN MERCURY, AND STRONGER THAN HERCULES — **REALLY IS** LT. DIANA PRINCE! THEN HOW CAN SHE BE IN THE SAME PLACE -- AS **TWO** DIFFERENT PEOPLE? FOR ONE OF THE BATTLING AMAZON'S MOST STARTLING ADVENTURES START READING IMMEDIATELY ABOUT -----

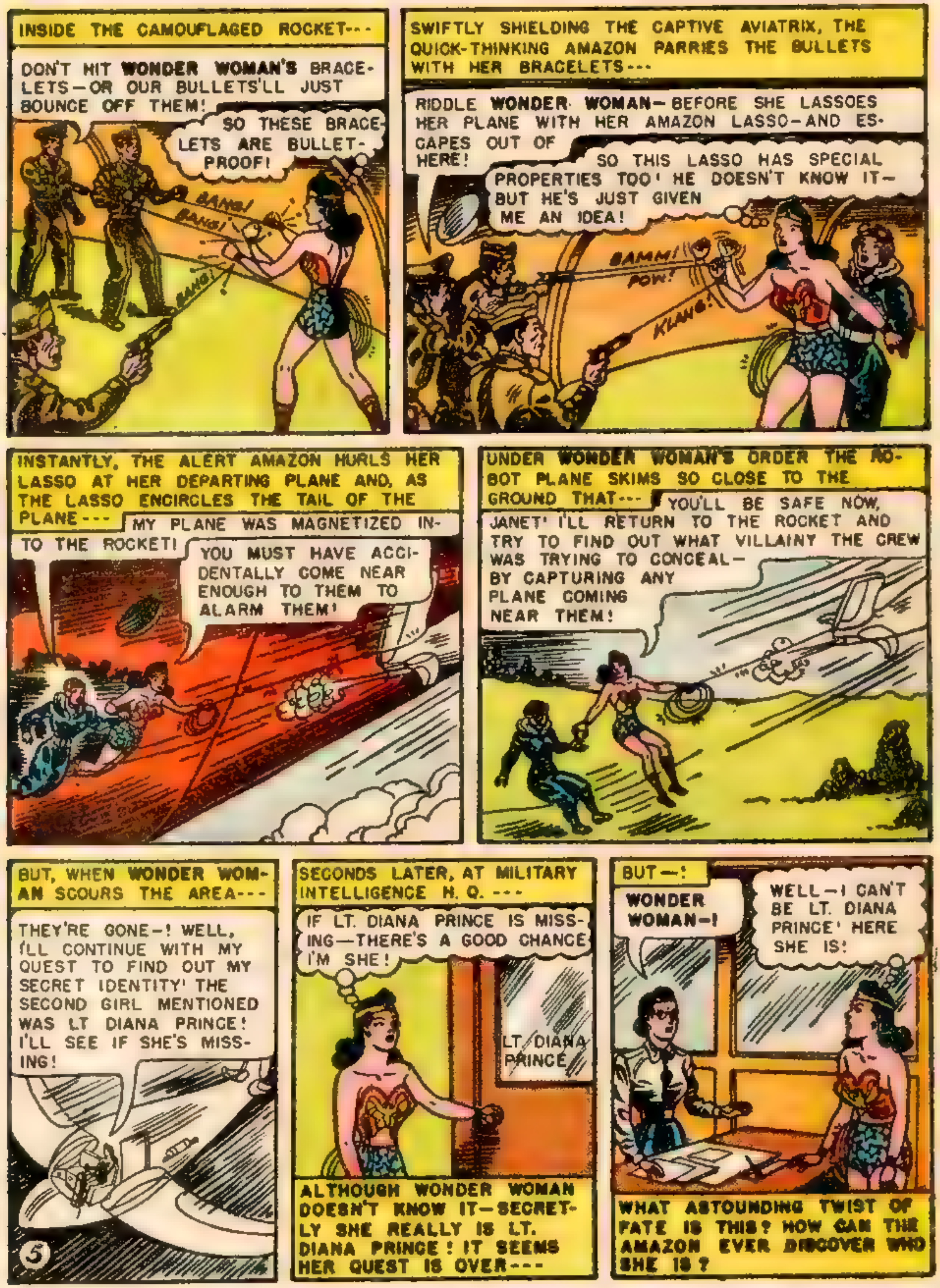
"The MISSING WONDER WOMAN!"

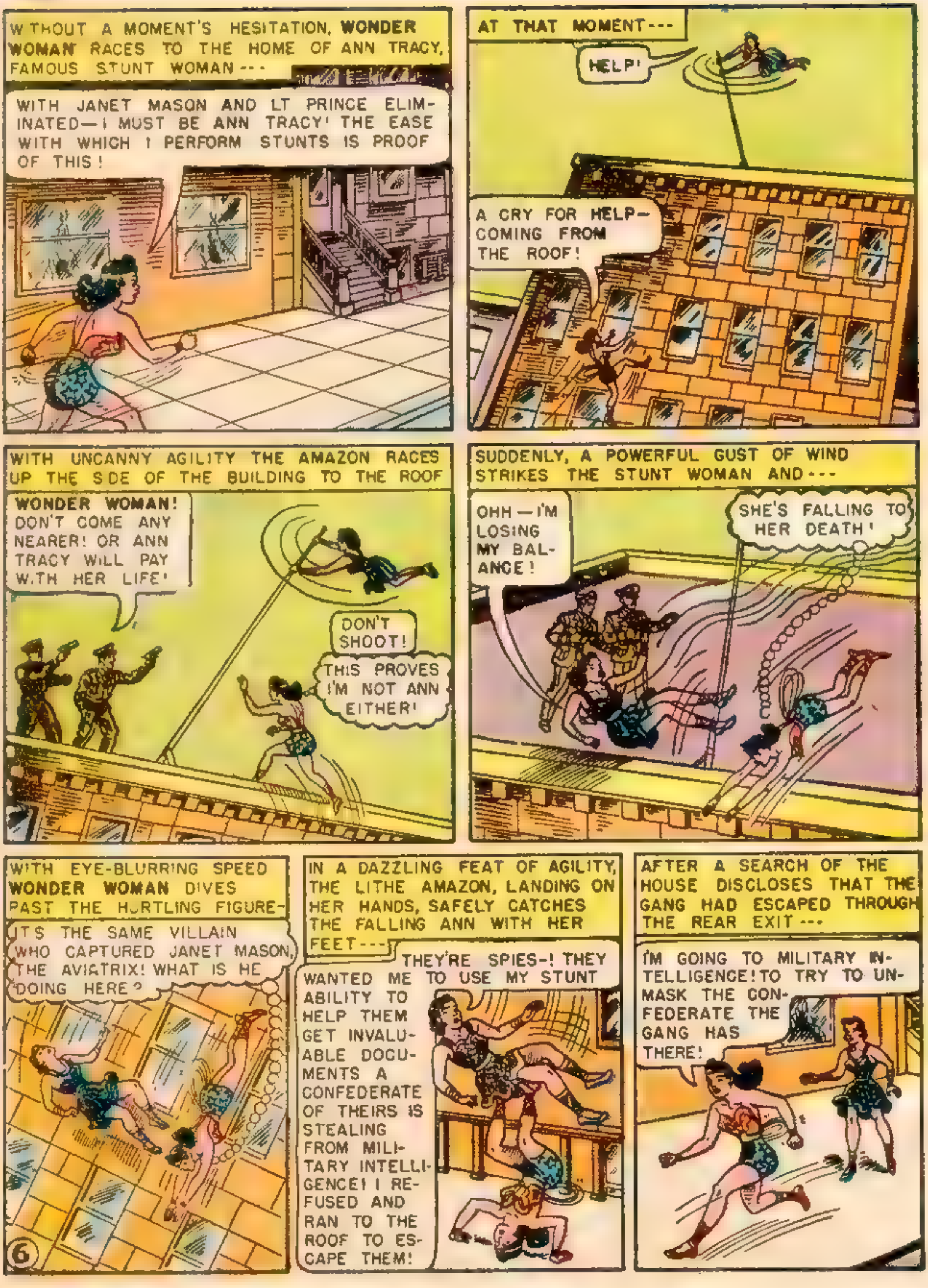

I CAN'T BE LT. DIANA PRINCE! FOR **HERE** SHE IS! THEN WHO AM I?
AS LT. DIANA PRINCE DRIVES TOWARD THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE H. Q. GATE---
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE
CRASH!
GREAT HERA! AN ARMORED CAR IS CRASHING THROUGH THE GATE!
BEFORE HER JEEP COMES TO A STOP, THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE OFFICER CHANGES INTO HER SECRET IDENTITY OF **WONDER WOMAN** WITH A SPEED NO HUMAN EYE CAN FOLLOW---
INTO THE PATH OF THE ONRUSHING CAR STEPS THE DAUNTLESS AMAZON---
THAT CAR MUST HAVE BEEN STOLEN BY DESPERATE CRIMINALS!
SMASH
KPOW!
KRAK
KPOW!

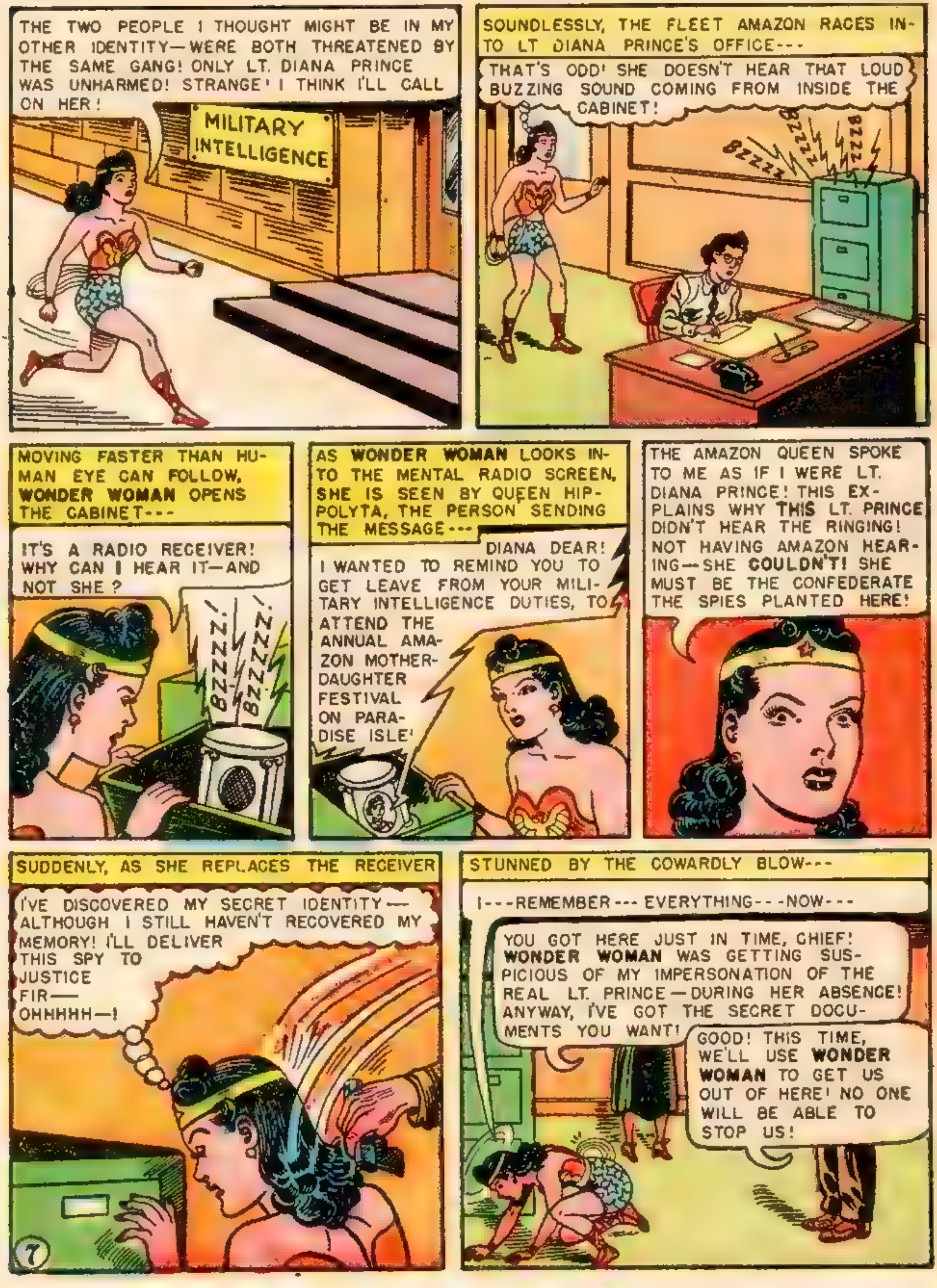

WARDING OFF BULLETS WITH HER AMAZON BRACELET, THE AGILE AMAZON PRINCESS LASSOES THE HURTLING JUGGERNAUT---
I'M GOING TO RETURN THIS CAR TO MILITARY INTELLIGENCE—WHERE IT BELONGS!
A TUG OF HER POWERFUL WRIST AND WONDER WOMAN TURNS THE HEAVY ARMORED CAR UPSIDE DOWN---
THIS WILL STOP THE THUGS INSIDE THE CAR FROM FIRING AND INJURING ANY INNOCENT PASSERBY!
INTE ARY IGENCE
BUT, AS THE INDOMITABLE AMAZON REACHES THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE GATE, A MOTORCYCLE SPEEDS OUT AND---
YOU'RE NOT GOING TO SPOIL MY SCHEME, AMAZON!
FELLED BY THE COWARDLY BLOW AT THE BASE OF HER SKULL, WONDER WOMAN'S FIGHTING INSTINCT ENABLES HER STILL TO HOLD ON TO THE LASSOED ESCAPE CAR---
AT THAT MOMENT, COL. STEVE TREVOR, HER FAMOUS SWEETHEART, DASHES UP---
GREAT WORK, DARLING! THEIR LEADER ESCAPED ON THE MOTORCYCLE! BUT THE REST OF THE GANG WHO IMPERSONATED SOLDIERS TO STEAL MILITARY SECRETS HAVE BEEN CAUGHT—THANKS TO YOU, WONDER WOMAN!
2
HE CALLED ME---WONDER WOMAN---I---I GUESS---THAT MUST BE--MY NAME---BUT OTHERWISE---I---I CAN'T---REMEMBER A THING! I---I MUST FIND OUT---WHO I AM---WITHOUT LETTING ANYONE KNOW---
PERHAPS THIS OFFICER---WHO SEEMS TO BE MY SWEETHEART--CAN GIVE ME A CLUE?
WHY CALL ME WONDER WOMAN? ANYONE CAN DO WHAT I DID!
HA, HA! YOU'RE JOKING, OF COURSE, ANGEL! IT'S THE NAME BY WHICH THE WHOLE WORLD KNOWS YOU!

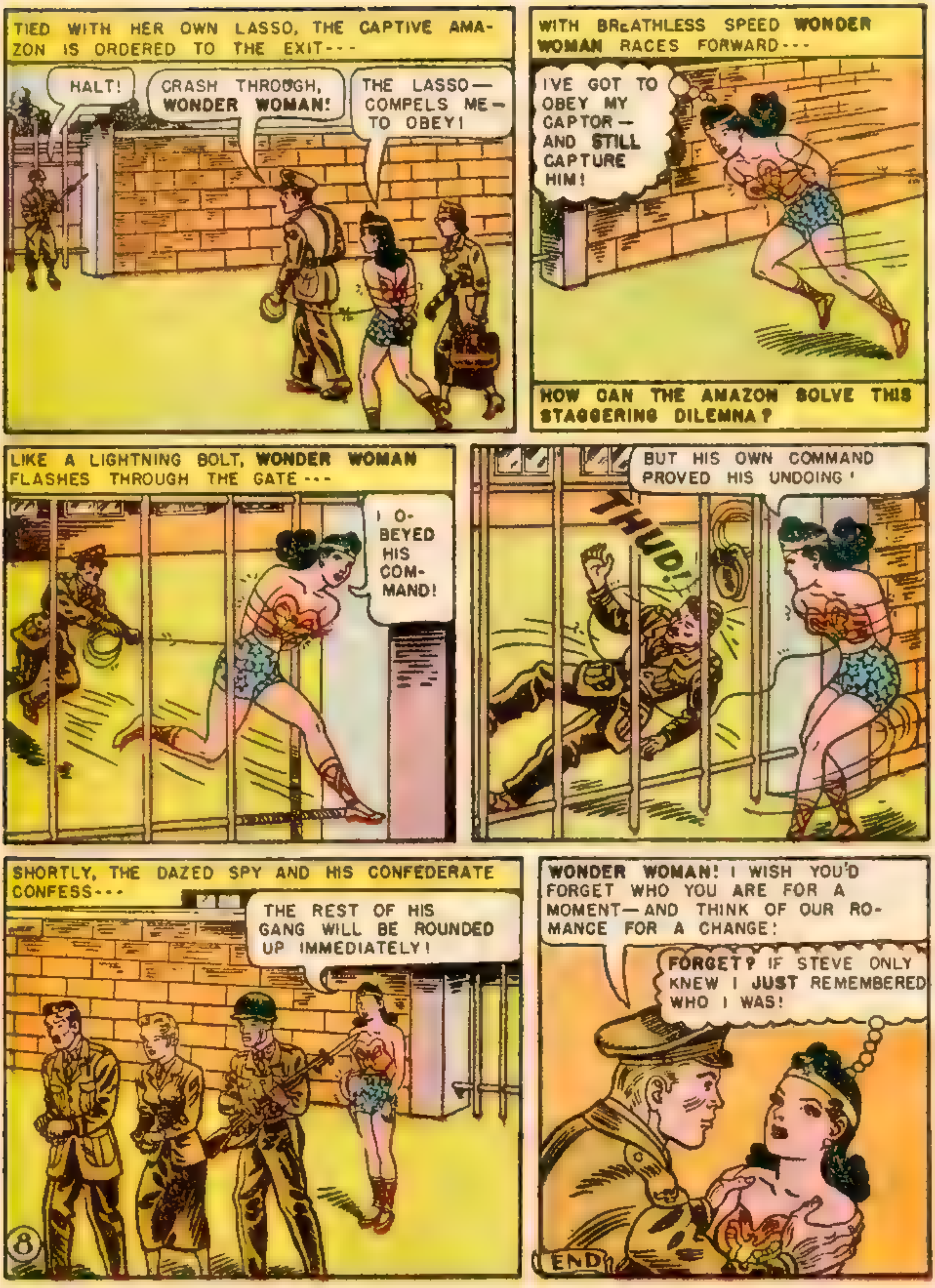

A MOMENT LATER, THE AMNESIA VICTIM RAGES OFF---
SEE YOU LATER, WONDER WOMAN!
IF I'M KNOWN BY THAT NAME — THEN THERE MUST BE NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS ABOUT ME THAT WILL TELL ME ABOUT MYSELF!
AT THE NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS ROOM IN THE PUBLIC LIBRARY, THE VERY FIRST STORY WONDER WOMAN READS---
THE GLOBE
WONDER WOMAN'S SECRET IDENTITY BELIEVED TO BE ONE OF THESE FAMOUS WOMEN!
JANET MASON FLYER
LT. DIANA PRINCE
ANN TRACY STUNT WOMAN
THE FLEET AMAZON RACES TO THE FIRST DESTINATION ON THE UNIQUE JOURNEY TO DISCOVER HER IDENTITY---
IF I'M ONE OF THESE THREE WOMEN— SHE SHOULD BE MISSING! I'LL INVESTIGATE!
AT THE FIRST STOP, THE HOME OF JANET MASON---
THANK GOODNESS YOU'VE COME!
THIS WOMAN WAS EXPECTING ME! I MUST BE JANET MASON!
WONDER WOMAN! YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN HELP MY DAUGHTER, JANET! SHE SET OUT FROM LANE FIELD TO BREAK THE SOUND BARRIER— AND HASN'T BEEN HEARD FROM IN SIX HOURS!
THIS MEANS I'M NOT JANET MASON!
3
AREN'T YOU GOING TO CALL YOUR ROBOT PLANE AND SEARCH FOR JANET, WONDER WOMAN?
OF COURSE--
ACCORDING TO THIS WOMAN, I'M SUPPOSED TO HAVE A ROBOT PLANE THAT RESPONDS TO MY VOICE! I'LL TRY CALLING IT AND SEE WHAT HAPPENS!
CALLING PLANE!
IN A SPLIT SECOND---THE ROBOT PLANE FLASHES TOWARD THE SOUND OF THE ONLY VOICE TO WHICH ITS SECRET MECHANISM IS ATTUNED---
CALLING PLANE—
IT'S DIVING STRAIGHT AT ME!


PLANE ZOOM—!
IT OBEYED INSTANTLY! NOW I KNOW HOW TO CONTROL IT!
THE LOVELY AMNESIA VICTIM SCOURS THE SKIES ABOVE THE FIELD INTO WHICH JANET MASON HAD DISAPPEARED---
THERE'S SOMETHING STRANGE ABOUT THAT CLOUD—I KNOW WHAT IT IS! IT'S MOVING **AGAINST** THE WIND! TOWARD ME! AND A MAGNETIC FORCE IS PULLING THE PLANE TOWARD IT!
WITH A MIGHTY LEAP, THE ACROBATIC AMAZON SOARS HIGH ABOVE THE CAPTIVE PLANE---
I'LL LET THE PLANE RESPOND TO THE MAGNETIC FORCE THAT'S DRAWING IT INSIDE THE CLOUD—WITHOUT ME!
INSTEAD OF HURTLING THROUGH THE FLEECY NOTHINGNESS OF THE CLOUD---
I'VE LANDED ON A SOLID SUBSTANCE! THIS ISN'T A REAL CLOUD—BUT A CAMOUFLAGE FOR SOMETHING **INSIDE** IT! HERE'S A HATCH—LEADING INSIDE THE CLOUD!
IMMEDIATELY, THE FEARLESS AMAZON LEAPS INSIDE---
WONDER WOMAN! THANK GOODNESS YOU'VE COME TO RESCUE ME FROM THESE VILLIANS WHO CAPTURED MY **PLANE** WHILE I WAS ON A TEST FLIGHT!
SHE MUST BE JANET MASON—THE GIRL I THOUGHT I WAS!
AMAZON! YOU'LL NOT FOIL ME AGAIN! ONE FALSE MOVE AND THIS GIRL DIES!
DON'T HARM HER! I WON'T MOVE A STEP!
WHERE HAVE I SEEN THAT FACE BEFORE? I CAN'T MOVE WITHOUT HARM COMING TO JANET—BUT THERE'S ANOTHER WAY TO HELP!
UNEXPECTEDLY, THE WILY AMAZON CALLS HER ROBOT PLANE---
PLANE—DIVE AT MAXIMUM SPEED!
SMASH!


INSIDE THE CAMOUFLAGED ROCKET---
DON'T HIT WONDER WOMAN'S BRACELETS—OR OUR BULLETS'LL JUST BOUNCE OFF THEM!
SO THESE BRACELETS ARE BULLET-PROOF!
BANG!
BANG!
BANG!
SWIFTLY SHIELDING THE CAPTIVE AVIATRIX, THE QUICK-THINKING AMAZON PARRIES THE BULLETS WITH HER BRACELETS---
RIDDLE WONDER WOMAN—BEFORE SHE LASSOES HER PLANE WITH HER AMAZON LASSO—AND ESCAPES OUT OF HERE!
SO THIS LASSO HAS SPECIAL PROPERTIES TOO! HE DOESN'T KNOW IT—BUT HE'S JUST GIVEN ME AN IDEA!
BAMM!
POW!
KLANG!
INSTANTLY, THE ALERT AMAZON HURLS HER LASSO AT HER DEPARTING PLANE AND, AS THE LASSO ENCIRCLES THE TAIL OF THE PLANE---
MY PLANE WAS MAGNETIZED INTO THE ROCKET!
YOU MUST HAVE ACCIDENTALLY COME NEAR ENOUGH TO THEM TO ALARM THEM!
UNDER WONDER WOMAN'S ORDER THE ROBOT PLANE SKIMS SO CLOSE TO THE GROUND THAT---
YOU'LL BE SAFE NOW, JANET! I'LL RETURN TO THE ROCKET AND TRY TO FIND OUT WHAT VILLAINY THE CREW WAS TRYING TO CONCEAL—BY CAPTURING ANY PLANE COMING NEAR THEM!
BUT, WHEN WONDER WOMAN SCOURS THE AREA---
THEY'RE GONE—! WELL, I'LL CONTINUE WITH MY QUEST TO FIND OUT MY SECRET IDENTITY! THE SECOND GIRL MENTIONED WAS LT DIANA PRINCE! I'LL SEE IF SHE'S MISSING!
5
SECONDS LATER, AT MILITARY INTELLIGENCE H. Q. ---
IF LT. DIANA PRINCE IS MISSING—THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE I'M SHE!
LT. DIANA PRINCE
ALTHOUGH WONDER WOMAN DOESN'T KNOW IT—SECRETLY SHE REALLY IS LT. DIANA PRINCE! IT SEEMS HER QUEST IS OVER---
BUT—!
WONDER WOMAN—!
WELL—I CAN'T BE LT. DIANA PRINCE! HERE SHE IS!
WHAT ASTOUNDING TWIST OF FATE IS THIS? HOW CAN THE AMAZON EVER DISCOVER WHO SHE IS?


WITHOUT A MOMENT'S HESITATION, WONDER WOMAN RACES TO THE HOME OF ANN TRACY, FAMOUS STUNT WOMAN---
WITH JANET MASON AND LT PRINCE ELIMINATED—I MUST BE ANN TRACY! THE EASE WITH WHICH I PERFORM STUNTS IS PROOF OF THIS!
AT THAT MOMENT---
HELP!
A CRY FOR HELP—COMING FROM THE ROOF!
WITH UNCANNY AGILITY THE AMAZON RACES UP THE SIDE OF THE BUILDING TO THE ROOF
WONDER WOMAN! DON'T COME ANY NEARER! OR ANN TRACY WILL PAY WITH HER LIFE!
DON'T SHOOT!
THIS PROVES I'M NOT ANN EITHER!
SUDDENLY, A POWERFUL GUST OF WIND STRIKES THE STUNT WOMAN AND---
OHH—I'M LOSING MY BALANCE!
SHE'S FALLING TO HER DEATH!
WITH EYE-BLURRING SPEED WONDER WOMAN DIVES PAST THE HURTLING FIGURE—
IT'S THE SAME VILLAIN WHO CAPTURED JANET MASON, THE AVIATRIX! WHAT IS HE DOING HERE?
IN A DAZZLING FEAT OF AGILITY, THE LITHE AMAZON, LANDING ON HER HANDS, SAFELY CATCHES THE FALLING ANN WITH HER FEET---
THEY'RE SPIES—! THEY WANTED ME TO USE MY STUNT ABILITY TO HELP THEM GET INVALUABLE DOCUMENTS A CONFEDERATE OF THEIRS IS STEALING FROM MILITARY INTELLIGENCE! I REFUSED AND RAN TO THE ROOF TO ESCAPE THEM!
AFTER A SEARCH OF THE HOUSE DISCLOSES THAT THE GANG HAD ESCAPED THROUGH THE REAR EXIT---
I'M GOING TO MILITARY INTELLIGENCE! TO TRY TO UNMASK THE CONFEDERATE THE GANG HAS THERE!


THE TWO PEOPLE I THOUGHT MIGHT BE IN MY OTHER IDENTITY—WERE BOTH THREATENED BY THE SAME GANG! ONLY LT. DIANA PRINCE WAS UNHARMED! STRANGE! I THINK I'LL CALL ON HER!
MILITARY INTELLIGENCE
SOUNDLESSLY, THE FLEET AMAZON RACES INTO LT DIANA PRINCE'S OFFICE---
THAT'S ODD! SHE DOESN'T HEAR THAT LOUD BUZZING SOUND COMING FROM INSIDE THE CABINET!
BZZZZ
BZZZZ
BZZZ
MOVING FASTER THAN HUMAN EYE CAN FOLLOW, WONDER WOMAN OPENS THE CABINET---
IT'S A RADIO RECEIVER! WHY CAN I HEAR IT—AND NOT SHE?
BZZZZ!
BZZZZZ!
AS WONDER WOMAN LOOKS INTO THE MENTAL RADIO SCREEN, SHE IS SEEN BY QUEEN HIPPOLYTA, THE PERSON SENDING THE MESSAGE---
DIANA DEAR! I WANTED TO REMIND YOU TO GET LEAVE FROM YOUR MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DUTIES, TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL AMAZON MOTHER-DAUGHTER FESTIVAL ON PARADISE ISLE!
THE AMAZON QUEEN SPOKE TO ME AS IF I WERE LT. DIANA PRINCE! THIS EXPLAINS WHY THIS LT. PRINCE DIDN'T HEAR THE RINGING! NOT HAVING AMAZON HEARING—SHE COULDN'T! SHE MUST BE THE CONFEDERATE THE SPIES PLANTED HERE!
SUDDENLY, AS SHE REPLACES THE RECEIVER
I'VE DISCOVERED MY SECRET IDENTITY—ALTHOUGH I STILL HAVEN'T RECOVERED MY MEMORY! I'LL DELIVER THIS SPY TO JUSTICE FIR— OHHHHH—!
STUNNED BY THE COWARDLY BLOW---
I---REMEMBER---EVERYTHING---NOW---
YOU GOT HERE JUST IN TIME, CHIEF! WONDER WOMAN WAS GETTING SUSPICIOUS OF MY IMPERSONATION OF THE REAL LT. PRINCE—DURING HER ABSENCE! ANYWAY, I'VE GOT THE SECRET DOCUMENTS YOU WANT!
GOOD! THIS TIME, WE'LL USE WONDER WOMAN TO GET US OUT OF HERE! NO ONE WILL BE ABLE TO STOP US!


TIED WITH HER OWN LASSO, THE CAPTIVE AMAZON IS ORDERED TO THE EXIT---
HALT!
CRASH THROUGH, WONDER WOMAN!
THE LASSO—COMPELS ME—TO OBEY!
WITH BREATHLESS SPEED WONDER WOMAN RACES FORWARD---
I'VE GOT TO OBEY MY CAPTOR—AND STILL CAPTURE HIM!
HOW CAN THE AMAZON SOLVE THIS STAGGERING DILEMNA?
LIKE A LIGHTNING BOLT, WONDER WOMAN FLASHES THROUGH THE GATE---
I OBEYED HIS COMMAND!
BUT HIS OWN COMMAND PROVED HIS UNDOING!
THUD!
SHORTLY, THE DAZED SPY AND HIS CONFEDERATE CONFESS---
THE REST OF HIS GANG WILL BE ROUNDED UP IMMEDIATELY!
8
WONDER WOMAN! I WISH YOU'D FORGET WHO YOU ARE FOR A MOMENT—AND THINK OF OUR ROMANCE FOR A CHANGE!
FORGET? IF STEVE ONLY KNEW I JUST REMEMBERED WHO I WAS!
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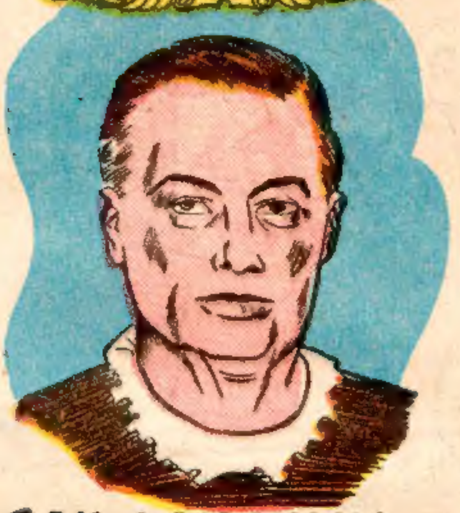

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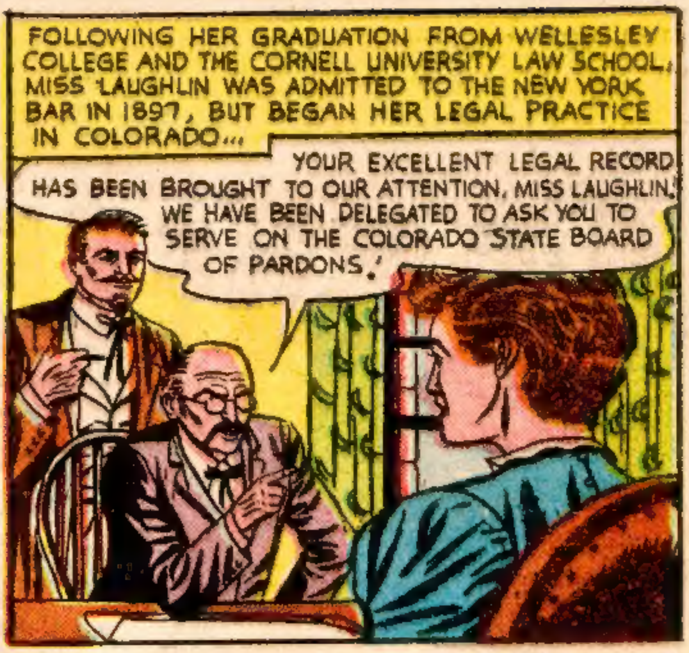
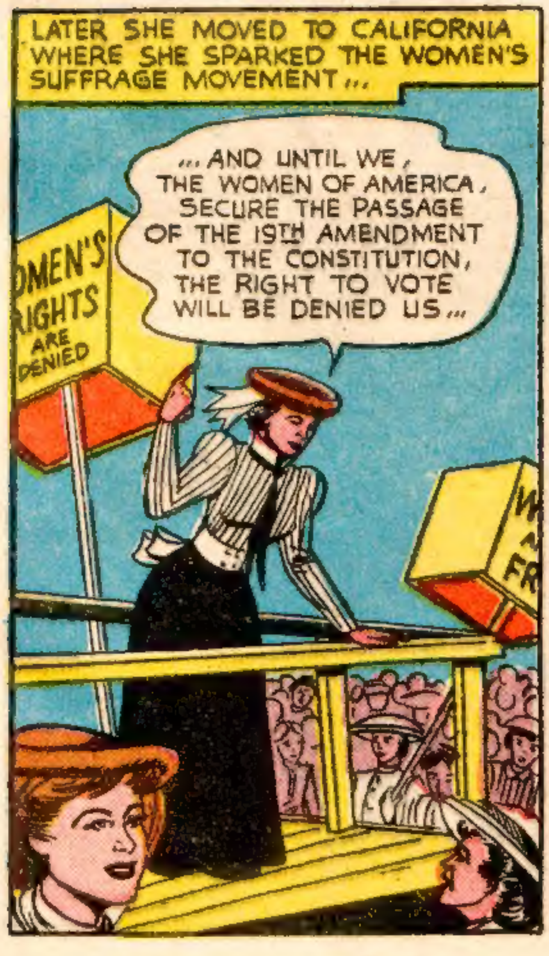
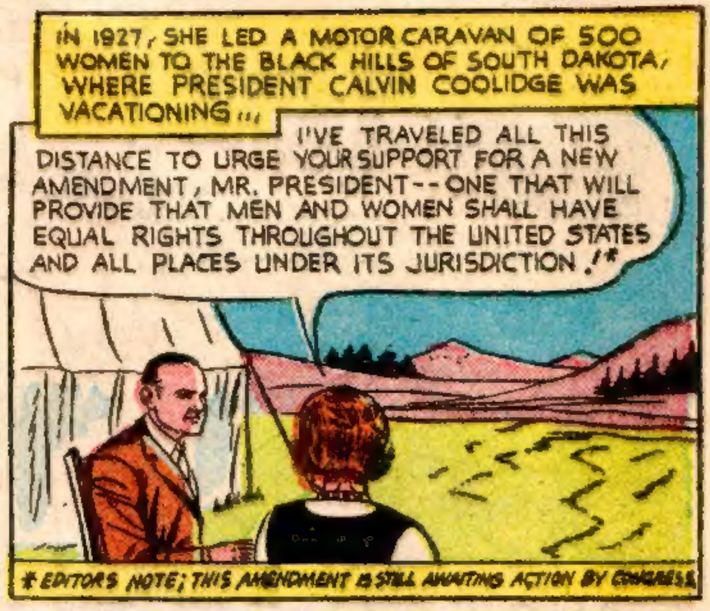
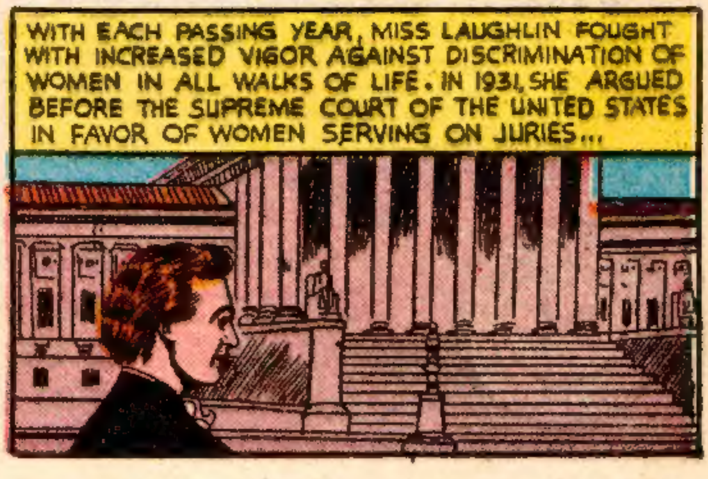
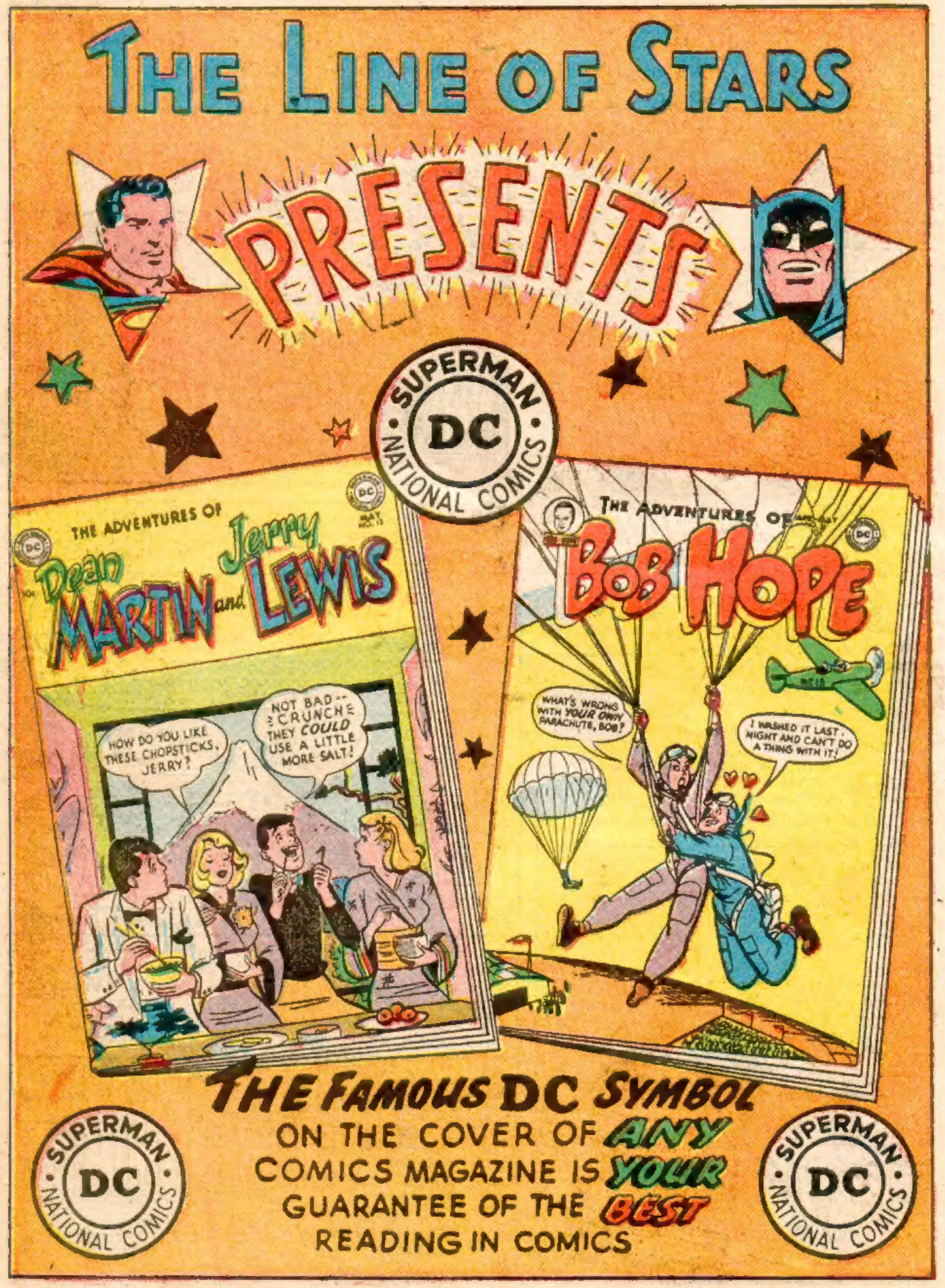

FOLLOWING HER GRADUATION FROM WELLESLEY COLLEGE AND THE CORNELL UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL, MISS LAUGHLIN WAS ADMITTED TO THE NEW YORK BAR IN 1897, BUT BEGAN HER LEGAL PRACTICE IN COLORADO...
YOUR EXCELLENT LEGAL RECORD HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION, MISS LAUGHLIN! WE HAVE BEEN DELEGATED TO ASK YOU TO SERVE ON THE COLORADO STATE BOARD OF PARDONS!


LATER SHE MOVED TO CALIFORNIA WHERE SHE SPARKED THE WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE MOVEMENT...
...AND UNTIL WE, THE WOMEN OF AMERICA, SECURE THE PASSAGE OF THE 19TH AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION, THE RIGHT TO VOTE WILL BE DENIED US...
OMEN'S RIGHTS ARE DENIED


IN 1927, SHE LED A MOTOR CARAVAN OF 500 WOMEN TO THE BLACK HILLS OF SOUTH DAKOTA, WHERE PRESIDENT CALVIN COOLIDGE WAS VACATIONING...
I'VE TRAVELED ALL THIS DISTANCE TO URGE YOUR SUPPORT FOR A NEW AMENDMENT, MR. PRESIDENT--ONE THAT WILL PROVIDE THAT MEN AND WOMEN SHALL HAVE EQUAL RIGHTS THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES AND ALL PLACES UNDER ITS JURISDICTION!*
* EDITORS NOTE; THIS AMENDMENT IS STILL AWAITING ACTION BY CONGRESS.


WITH EACH PASSING YEAR, MISS LAUGHLIN FOUGHT WITH INCREASED VIGOR AGAINST DISCRIMINATION OF WOMEN IN ALL WALKS OF LIFE. IN 1931, SHE ARGUED BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES IN FAVOR OF WOMEN SERVING ON JURIES...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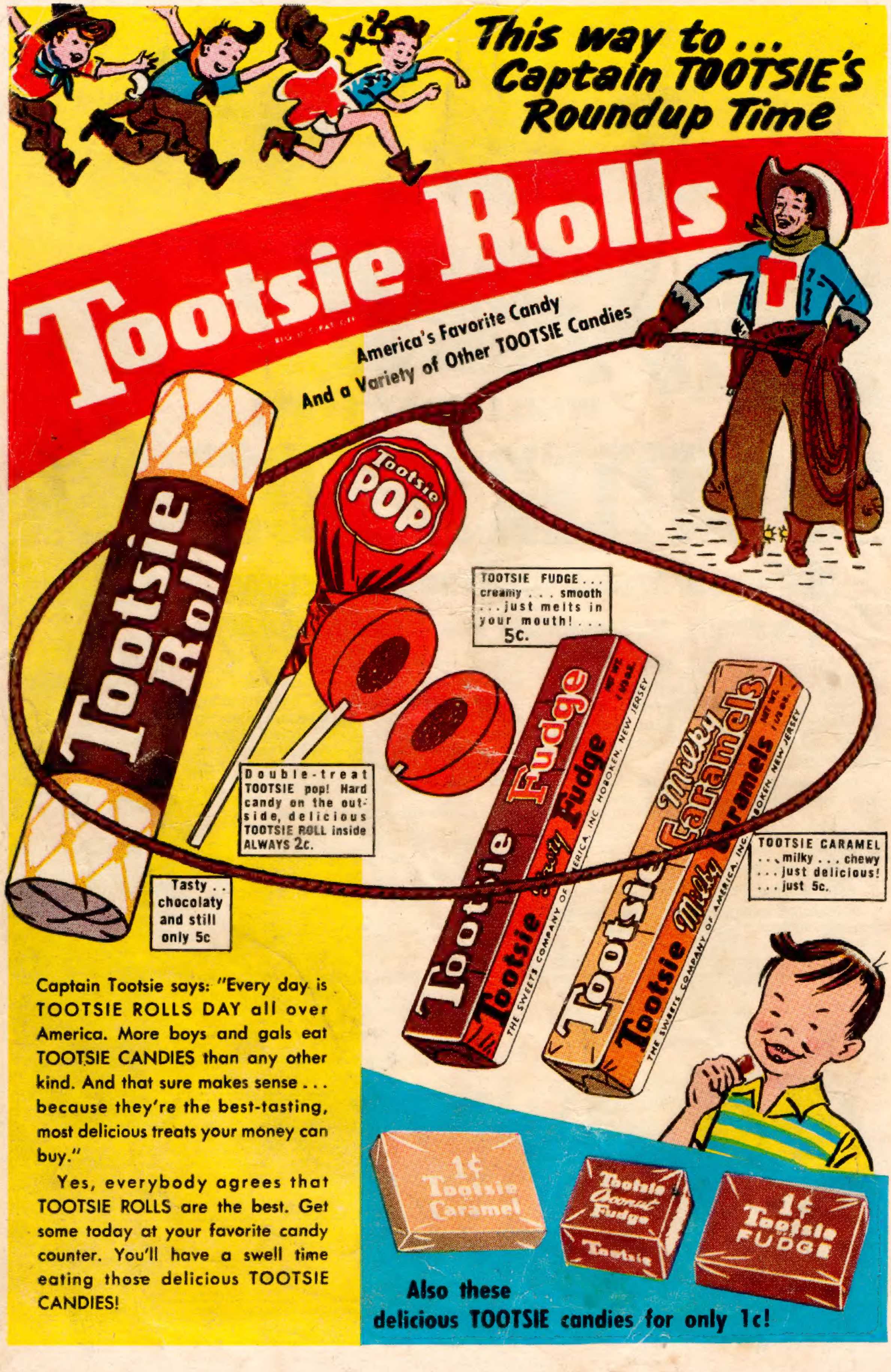
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